

Mississippi Does Not Need Legalized Liquor!

AN EDITORIAL

The perennial question of Mississippi's prohibition laws once more is raised. It comes up each time the state legislature meets. In the opening days of this new legislative session several bills related to the issue have been introduced, all of them with the evident purpose of bringing legalized liquor to the state.

Some of the bills being offered call for a state-wide referendum, while at least one bill evidently seeks to by-pass that. The governor has indicated that he will sign a fair referendum bill, although he vetoed a referendum bill which was passed in the closing hours of the last legislative session, because he found some unsatisfactory provisions included in it.

Last Referendum

The last time the state had a prohibition referendum (about 12 years ago) the people voted overwhelmingly to retain the prohibition laws. It was said before that election that the result of the referendum would be a mandate to the legislature, either to legalize liquor, or to enforce prohibition. The latter has not been done.

The sharp division on the issue has brought what practically is an impasse in the state. The wets have not had enough strength to legalize liquor while the dries have been unable to secure full enforcement of the prohibition laws.

Few Satisfied

Few Mississippians are satisfied with the present situation. The dries are not satisfied, because of the "black market tax" on an illegal product, and the lack of enforcement in some areas. They are not blind to the fact that illegal liquor is being sold in the state, and they want the situation remedied.

The wets are not satisfied because they want liquor to be legalized in the state.

Many Mississippians who personally are dry, have become so dissatisfied with the present situation, that they are beginning to believe the arguments that legalization is the only solution to the problem, and would bring better conditions in the state.

There are, however, many reasons why Mississippi should not legalize liquor, now or ever. The most important ones are based upon what legalization will do to the state. Just

what will the repeal of the prohibition laws and legalization of liquor do for Mississippi?

Increase Consumption

1. It will increase the amount of liquor brought into and consumed in the state. The repeal of national prohibition brought the start of a rapid climb in the amount of alcoholic beverages consumed in the nation. Some states, which retained their prohibition laws long after the national statutes were abolished, and then finally did legalize liquor, have seen marked increase in the amount of liquor consumed.

According to the latest available statistics, Mississippi has one of the lowest, if not the very lowest, alcohol consumption rates in the nation. That consumption is less than one-third of the national average. This favorable position certainly could be lost if drink is legalized.

Attendant Evils

2. There would be an increase of the attendant evils which always accompany liquor—drunkenness, alcoholism, crime, etc.

For years Mississippi has had one of the lowest crime (Continued on Page 4)

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THE ANNUAL STAFF conference of the Department of Student Work was held Jan. 12-14 at Blue Mountain College. H. E. Fisher, BMC president, chats informally with several. From left: Mr. Fisher, Charles Lott, student director at Mississippi Delta; Coby Brynne, Mississippi State and Rev. Bill Peacock, pastor of Lowrey Memorial Church, Blue Mountain.



SEVERAL PRESENT for supper Thursday evening in Ray dining hall included, from left: Dr. James L. Travis, professor of Bible at Blue Mountain, who led Bible study; Mrs. Travis; Rev. Ralph B. Winders, state student director; Dr. Earl Kelly, Holly Springs, president of the State Convention, one of conference speakers, and Mrs. Kelly.

Berlin Congress Discussed

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—Dominica, a leading Roman Catholic magazine published here held that the World Congress on Evangelism, to be held in West Berlin in October, "in part... will serve as a measuring device for the ecumenical progress made recently by many conservative denominations in this country and abroad."

Although the writer, Barnabas Davis, in his article appearing in the theological quarterly, gave no indication there is any support for ecumenism among conservative Protestant groups, he cited the recent decision by (Continued on page 2)

REA To Meet February 3-5

The annual meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Religious Education Association will be held at the Edgewater Gulf Hotel on the Gulf Coast Feb. 3-5.

Jimmy Davis, of Jackson, president, said that several score religious education workers from every section of the state are expected to attend the meeting, to begin Thursday at 2:00 p.m. and adjourn at noon Saturday.

The two visiting program personalities will be Dr. J. M. Price, Jr. dean of the School of Religious Education of the New Orleans Seminary, and Earl Waldrup, director of new church member training of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

The social highlight will be the annual banquet to be held Friday evening, with Dr. Price as the principal speaker.

Toastmaster will be Bill Nimmens, minister of education of First Baptist Church, Starkville.

A business meeting will be held Saturday morning at



Dr. J. M. Price, Jr.

which time new officers will be elected.

Other present officers include Nolan Johnston, Hattiesburg, vice-president; Mrs. Ann Alexander, Jackson, secretary; Ben Scarborough, Bruce, pianist, and Bill Sellers, Meridian, chorister.

The organization is composed of religious education workers from the churches and institutions of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Student Directors Hold Staff Conference At Blue Mountain



THREE STUDENT DIRECTORS who led discussion on program regarding student centers discuss parts with Art Driscoll, associate in student department, Nashville. From left: Louise Farmer, USM; Miss Gladys Bryant, ECJC; Mr. Driscoll, and Miss Betty Jane Frew, Hinds Jr. College.

CONGRESS CONSIDERS CHURCH ISSUES

WASHINGTON (BP)—Legislation involving questions of church concern loom large on the horizon of the second session of the 89th Congress, in spite of the overshadowing Vietnam situation.

Of interest and concern to all is the quest for peace. The "Christmas truce," the "peace offensive" of suspension of bombing of north Vietnam, the diplomatic maneuvers viewed as efforts toward peace, all have encouragement of various religious groups. Congress is put in the position of resolving its dual commitments—military assistance in Viet Nam and continued development of the "Great Society" on the domestic scene.

The issues are abundant. Among them are the food for peace program, measures aimed at rehabilitating drug addicts in which churches could play a leading role, repeal of section 14(B) of the Taft-Hartley Act and a possible "religious exemption"

clause, extension and broadening of the unemployment compensation system which could involve religious organizations and institutions, and measures designed to improve conditions for migrant farm workers.

Still other issues include possible new proposals to make southern juries more representative and to protect civil rights workers from violence, renewing and extending some education programs, administration of education programs and medicare, and the possibility of some form of birth control program.

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Message For BWA Sunday FEBRUARY 6

"Wherefore seeing, we are compassed about by so great a cloud of witness, let us lay aside every weight... and run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith." Hebrews 12:1-2.

The year just past was a year of appraisal. But it was also a year of dedication. The 11th Baptist World Congress meeting at Miami Beach brought together some 20,000 fellow-believers from 79 countries and helped all of us to realize anew our oneness in Christ and our obligation to share with all the world the truth that makes men free.

The Congress in Miami Beach revealed many attributes of our Baptist people.

Awareness. Baptists at the Congress faced the hard realities of the present world situation. We looked at the world in all its dread aspects. We faced the fact of the population explosion and the problems of depersonalization in urban centers, coupled with the impact of increasing automation in industry. We considered the yearning for peace in the face of ominous threat of war in the space age. We confronted the struggle for human rights and religious freedom. We did not cover up or retouch the ugly picture of the hungry, sick, naked and ill-clad multitudes.

Deepening Concern. Baptist in the Congress realized that we are up against a spiritual host of wickedness (Eph. 6:12). This is no shadow boxing. (Continued on page 2)

Dehoney, Brazilians Confer On Crusade

JACKSON, Tenn. (BP)—The president of the Southern Baptist Convention, Wayne Dehoney, has been invited to speak at the Brazilian Baptist Convention in Sao Paulo, Brazil, and to confer with a Brazilian Baptist committee about evangelistic crusade plans.

Dehoney, pastor of the First Baptist Church here and president of the 10.6 million-member SBC, is scheduled to meet with the Coordinating Committee of the National Campaign of Evangelism of the Brazilian Baptist Convention during the convention's annual meeting.

They will discuss the results of a nation-wide Baptist evangelistic campaign in Brazil this year, and how Brazilian and Southern Baptists in America can work together in planning an evangelistic campaign to encompass the entire hemisphere in 1969.

The Southern Baptist Convention's Executive Committee voted in September to approve participation in the 1969 "Crusade of the Americas" and asked the convention's Foreign Mission Board and Home Mission Board to coordinate plans with other national Baptist bodies which will participate in the campaign.

Dehoney said here before leaving that the closing session of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Detroit next May would be devoted

to launching the Crusade of the Americas.

Dehoney called the crusade "the greatest challenge our denomination has ever known," saying that the campaign would involve all Baptist bodies from Buenos Aires at the tip of South America to the Hudson Bay in North America.

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Music Features Of Evangelistic Conference Set

The Singing Churchmen, a chorus made up primarily of ministers of music over the state will sing on Monday evening, February 7, for the opening session of the Evangelistic Conference at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly.

This chorus, under the direction of Dan C. Hall, music secretary, also will present a pre-session program of sacred music starting at 8:30 P.M. in the assembly gymnasium.

Conference organizer is John Bos, of Orlando, Florida, and pianist is Edwin Sudduth, organist, First Baptist Church Gulfport.

Cecil Harper, minister of music, First Baptist Church, Jackson, will sing a vocal meditation at the beginning of each session. Other soloists are scheduled throughout the conference.

Three new musical features are scheduled for the conference. A handbell group, composed of seven ministers of music from Hinds Association, will accompany the congregational singing on Monday evening. The handbell group is under the direction of Charles Muller, minister of music, Woodland Hills Baptist Church, Jackson.

The Jones County Association Youth Choir of 100 voices will sing for the Tuesday evening session. This choir is directed by Billy Souther, Jr., minister of music, Magnolia (Continued on page 6)

Committee Of 24 Has First Meeting

The "special committee of twenty-four" appointed by the 1965 Mississippi Baptist Convention to study the church-state problems facing the convention, held its first meeting on Thursday, January 13.

The committee is comprised of twenty-four pastors and laymen from all sections of Mississippi.

Dr. S. R. Woodson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Columbus, was appointed

chairman of the committee by the convention, at the time the committee was set up.

At the first meeting Dr. Earl Kelly, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Holly Springs and president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, was chosen as vice-chairman of the committee.

Dr. F. D. Hewitt, Assistant to the President and Director of Public Relations at Mississippi College, was chosen as secretary.

The work of the committee was set forth by convention action in approval of a motion by Dr. W. D. Hudgins, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jackson.

The motion was as follows: "That we suggest that any action in contract by any institution for federal funds, be held in abeyance until a study is made by a committee of twenty-four, appointed by the Committee on Nominations, to study the entire church and state matter, the fruits of this committee to be made available." (Continued on Page 2)

DOWNTOWN CHURCHES CHALLENGED

ATLANTA (BP)—The plight of downtown churches tends to offset rejoicing over fast-growing new congregations in the suburbs.

Welfare recipients and language groups seeking low-

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DR. J. W. LEE, dean of the graduate school at Mississippi College, has been elected second vice-president of Phi Delta Kappa, the international professional fraternity in education. The election to the high international office came at the fraternity's recent 30th Biennial Council held at the University of Oklahoma in Norman, Okla.

Dehoney

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The SBC president plans to be in Brazil for one week, Jan. 24-29 for the Brazilian Baptist Convention and the committee meetings.

The one-year nation-wide evangelistic crusade in Brazil has resulted in more than 90,000 decisions, and the number of professions of faith is expected to reach 100,000, Dehoney said.

"If Southern Baptists were to catch fire in a program of evangelism comparable to what has happened in Brazil, operating from our base of 10.6 million members, this would mean that in a two year period, we would report 4,240,000 baptisms," Dehoney said.

Congress Considers

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Of major importance is a review of the food for peace program which expires at the end of this year. This program provides for the sale of surplus foods to other countries for "soft" (non-convertible) currencies and the outright donation of food in some cases. Voluntary church agencies, and such organizations as care, are involved in cooperative efforts with the U.S. government in distributing food and other necessities in other countries.

Increasing demands for U.S. food from a hungry world, and the dwindling government-owned food surpluses make re-evaluation of the program necessary. Observers agree that any future food program probably would put less emphasis on disposing of surpluses and place more emphasis on a sound program of stepped-up food

Says Church Should Open Doors To All

OKLAHOMA CITY (BP) — A Nigerian Baptist official said here that Africans cannot understand it when Christians in America have contributed their prayers, money and missionaries to convert them, but have closed the doors of their churches to students who have come to this country.

"Missionaries have been sent to us and millions of dollars have been poured into our country, and for this we are grateful," said David Idowu of the Nigerian Baptist Convention's Sunday school department.

"Churches have done something," he said in an interview here, "but they have not gone far enough."

"Now, in the light of all that you have done for us, it would be very strange if I as a Nigerian (I do not regard myself as a Negro) should come to America and want to join a church—any church of my choice—and then the church should close its door against me," Idowu said.

For the past six months the 46-year-old Idowu has been studying at Southern Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky, in an effort "to get new ideas on Sunday School methods."

He is a member of Crescent View Baptist Church, Louisville where the chairman of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, John Claypool, is pastor. Although this church accepted him as a member willingly, many churches within the Southern Baptist Convention would not, he said.

"When we of other countries come here, we cannot understand why we should not be accepted into your churches since we have been acquainted with you (Southern Baptists) all along."



THE MISSISSIPPI committee of the Southern Baptist Education Study task held its initial meeting last week at the Baptist Building in Jackson. Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, at extreme right, is chairman, with Dr. Woodrow Clark, Hattiesburg, at his left, recorder. A similar committee has been named in each state studying the future role of Southern Baptists in Christian higher education.

Committee

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able to the churches at least a month before the convention next year.

At its initial meeting the committee carefully considered its duties and responsibilities, and then set up subcommittees to make special study of various facets of the church-state problems, with their first reports to be made to the committee as a whole at its next meeting, which is scheduled in late February.

The subcommittees will study four areas of the church-state problem. They are (1) Definition of terms related to government assistance and involvement with churches and church related institutions; (2) Explore government programs that involve church-state relationships; (3) Definition of purposes of Mississippi Baptist institutions; (4) Study areas where churches and church related institutions are now, or have been involved, in government assistance programs.

Chairmen of the four subcommittees are (1) Dr. Joe Tuten, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson; (2) Dr. E. R. Jobe, Executive Secretary and Director of the Board of Trustees of the State Institutions of Higher Learning; Jackson; (3) Dr. Woodrow Clark, Dean of William Carey College, Hattiesburg; and (4) Dr. Owen Cooper, Business Executive, Yazoo City, Miss.

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Action Expected
Congressional action is expected on an administration proposal for revisions in the federal-state unemployment compensation system. Included would be extension of employment compensation coverage and increased employer taxes. Undetermined at this point is whether or not this would involve religious organizations and institutions.



THE "COMMITTEE OF 24" named by the 1965 session of the State Convention to study the church-state issue and report to the 1966 convention met on Thursday of last week in Jackson and elected officers. From left: Dr. F. D. Hewitt, Clinton, secretary; Dr. Earl Kelly, Holly Springs, vice-chairman; Dr. S. R. Woodson, Columbus, chairman and Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer. Dr. Woodson was named chairman at the time the committee was appointed.

MESSAGE FOR

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This is no warfare of slogans. Timid faith or hesitant love will not do. There was no bragging about "what we have done;" we were somehow aware that in spite of the millions who bear the name-Baptist we do not have a corresponding impact on our world. The call to evangelism was sounded with urgency and love.

Greater Commitment. Baptists at the Congress felt that it was not enough for the "faith of our fathers" merely to survive. Faith as mere belief is sterile. Our faith must be of the quality that overcomes the world—that involves us in Christian living in the kind of a world we face.

Honest Differences. The stated purpose of the Alliance is to show "the essential unity of the Baptist people in the Lord Jesus Christ." But this unity does not mean uniformity in thought and practice. It was a sign of Christian maturity that representatives from so many nations could disagree without being disagreeable, and a sign of Christian love that none questioned the sincerity of the motivation of others.

Widening Fellowship. Perhaps the happiest feature of the Congress was the absence of barriers of race and nationality. We met together in fellowship as persons redeemed by Christ Jesus. We were, and are, "all one in Christ Jesus" (Gal. 3:27). These new ties will surely lead to greater love and cooperation in carrying Christ's world-wide mission.

What of the Future? These blessed experiences of 1965 have given us new incentive to be salt and light (Matt. 5:13,14) in our decaying and dark world. We hope to see a swift lessening of prejudices in our Baptist fellowship and a genuine fraternal attitude to Christians of other denominations. We look to a world-wide evangelistic outreach. Let us seek the guidance and the power of the Holy Spirit to carry out the Great Commission of our Lord.

William R. Tolbert Jr. President BWA
Josef Nordenhaug General Secretary BWA
Robert S. Denny Associate Secretary BWA
C. Ronald Goulding Associate Secretary BWA

Berlin Congress On Evangelism

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the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod to join with other Lutheran groups in official dialogue with the Catholic Church as "a good omen" for the conference.

The Rev. Billy Graham, famed evangelist is honorary chairman of the Congress on Evangelism. He is an ordained minister of the Southern Baptist Convention, which is non-ecumenical in its stance.

Barnabas quoted Dr. Wayne Dehoney, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, as sizing up the dilemma ecumenism poses for his and other conservative bodies. Dr. Dehoney said: "... if we want unity we must scrap our doctrinal convictions, and if we uphold our convictions we cannot have unity."

The author discussed at length this basic problem facing the approximately 20 million fundamentalist-conservative - evangelical believers among America's 68.2-million Protestant population.

"Many American conservatives," he wrote, "argue that although oneness of Christians is a biblical teaching, this unity should be accomplished through spiritual as opposed to ecclesial means."

"They tend to interpret the current ecumenical thrust as the embryo of a superchurch that would eventually assume authority over every Christian, destroying their understanding of the traditional Protestant principle of the 'priesthood of all believers.'"

"Christians in fundamentalist communions are wary of joining in efforts which they feel are more concerned with a blanket unity of believers than with doctrinal integrity."

Some 700 delegates will attend the convocation at West Berlin's Kongresshalle. Christianity Today, conservative Protestant fortnightly, is sponsoring the Congress as a 10th

anniversary project. Dr. Carl F. Henry, editor of the periodical, is chairman of the Berlin program.

Conservative fellowships for the most part look askance at the World Council of Churches and the National Council of Churches, claiming they promote unity movements which would result in theological compromise.

Dr. Dehoney said ecumenism's objective can only be accomplished at the price of "perpetrating a colossal deceit upon the world in the name of 'The Christian Church.'"

Barnabas noted: "The posture of evangelical Christians on this matter and that of communions which disagree with them has been accurately but unhappily described as the 'continental divide' in American Protestantism."

Evangelical resistance in the name of doctrinal purity, the author pointed out, takes out various forms. Contrasted were the stances taken both by the National Association of Evangelicals and the American Council of Christian Churches, which, he said, "may be mutually distinguished by their attitudes toward the National and World Councils."

Both conservative groups are opposed to the NCC and WCC, but in different manners. NAE was described as "moderate and positive." ACCC is militant, seeing "active opposition to NCC objectives as the only authentic method of maintaining a true biblical faith."

NAE, the largest representative body for small evangelical bodies, represents approximately 40 denominations numbering 2 'million' adherents. ACCC is considerably smaller. Such other conservatives as Southern Baptists and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod speak through their own institutional channels.

CONFERENCES TO CONSIDER CHRISTIAN VIEWS OF SEX

NASHVILLE (BP) — The Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission will sponsor two conferences this summer at Glorieta and Ridgecrest. Baptists Assemblies on a Christian interpretation of sex.

World-renowned author David Mace of Madison, N. J., will deliver a series of lectures during the two conferences, carrying out the theme, "Toward a Christian Interpretation of Sex." It is the first time Southern Baptists have held a nation-wide conference on the subject.

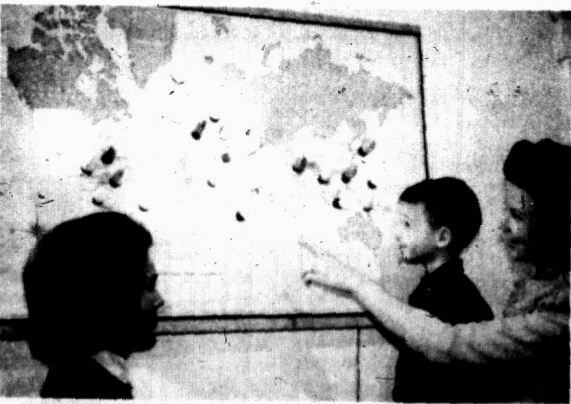
His lectures are slated Aug. 11-17 at Glorieta Baptist Assembly, Glorieta, N.M., and Aug. 25-31 at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C.

A native of Scotland, Mace

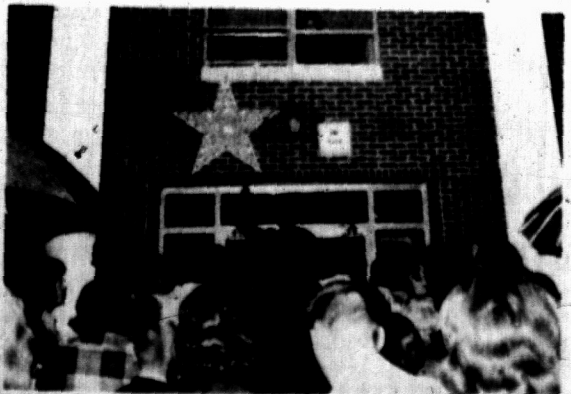
is reported to have written more articles on marriage than any other writer in the world. He wrote a series of articles for Woman's Home Companion running for eight years, and another 27-article series for McCall's.

Foy Valentine of Nashville, executive secretary of the SBC Christian Life Commission, said that the commission is sponsoring the conference in order to help Southern Baptists confront one of the most pressing aspects of the current moral revolution.

"In an age when growing multitudes in our very midst consider the Christian virtue of sexual purity 'square' and prudish, pastors and other church leaders will find these meetings especially helpful," Valentine said.



MRS. LUTHER M. DORR, WMU president at Bassfield Church, points out to Miss Doris Gardner and Chany Dorr some of the countries where Lottie Moon Christmas Offering gifts will go. Surpassing its \$500 goal, Bassfield gave \$655.14 to the offering this year.



AT CLARKE COLLEGE, Dr. W. L. Compere turns on the last "900 bulb" in the star, representing gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, while students stand in the rain to watch. Clarke students set a goal to support the Southern Baptist foreign missionary program for at least one hour. They went over, giving \$2965.50, or money for 62 minutes of world mission support.

The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering "They Brought Unto Him Gifts..."

Southern Baptist churches and institutions, in bringing their gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, dramatized their goals in many and varied ways. Representative of these are the Mississippi churches and colleges mentioned here. The offering helps support the work of 2072 missionaries in 60 countries.

Fifteenth Avenue, Meridian
Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian, in honor of its 75th birthday in January, gave more than \$7,500 to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, \$1700 more than ever before. A revolving diamond, signifying the Diamond Jubilee Year, served as the focal point of the offering, each facet representing \$375. But the church went far above its goal. Dr. Bob Simmons is pastor.

Bassfield Church
The Lottie Moon Christmas

goal for the Bassfield Church (whose Sunday school attendance averages 88) was \$500. A mission map with 25 lights emphasized the goal. For every gift of at least \$20, another light went on. Several families, as a family Christmas gift to the Lord, gave enough to turn on one or more lights. Memorial gifts were made. Several families gave at least \$45.25, the amount of money it takes to operate the Foreign Mission Board's mission program for one full minute.

The pastor, Rev. L. M. Dorr, states that the church went over the goal, giving \$655.14. This was in comparison with about \$36 given last year.

First, Newton
In observance of the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas

Offering, First Church, Newton, held a special program on Sunday evening, December 5. The theme of the program was "My Home—A Living Sacrifice."

Pastor J. N. Triplett reports, "Several of our young people made decisions at the annual State Convention's Youth Night in Jackson. The following Sunday, November 21, they shared with their church the pledges of re-

newed dedication, full commitment to God's will, a church-related vocation.

"Since these young people were presenting their lives as living sacrifices, it was quite fitting to present them, along with others who had previously made commitments, in a mission program. As a part of the December 5 evening service led by the laity of the church, a group of fourteen

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A REVOLVING DIAMOND was the focal point of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering at 15th Avenue Church, Meridian. Each facet represented \$375 to be given. Climaxing their Diamond Jubilee Year, the church gave more than \$7,500 to the offering.



BEAMING because their gifts to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering surpassed their \$1000 goal are Carey students Betty Hendrix, Lelan Yang, and Wayne Dulles. The amount had reached over \$1200 as students left for Christmas holidays.

Clarke Shows Missions Concern

By Mrs. W. L. Compere
"We will be able to support our total Southern Baptist foreign missionary program for 62 minutes with this \$2965.50," announced B.S.U. Director J. B. Costlow to the Clarke College assembly of students and faculty when the last of the

Lottie Moon offering funds was turned in. The group responded by singing "Glory, glory, Hallelujah, Our God is marching on" — the theme song for the foreign mission emphasis.

The goal had been set and (Continued on page 5)

Christian Service Corps To Get Brotherhood Assist

ATLANTA (BP) — The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board has called on the Brotherhood Commission to help locate potential volunteers for the board's Christian Service Corps.

Six Baptist adult "pioneers" volunteered last summer, the pilot year for the short-term missions program. At least one has indicated a desire to return to the area of her corps assignment.

With the help of the Brotherhood, the Southern Baptist missionary organization for men, the board expects to more than double the task force in 1966. The volunteers will be sent to missions areas to serve from two to 10 weeks in various missions activity. "Pioneer" missions are in areas relatively new to Southern Baptists, mostly in the north and west.

"We have conferred with the Brotherhood staff and we have gotten their pledge of co-operation to assist us in recruiting people for the program," Warren Woolf, secretary of the board's department of special mission ministries, said. "The Brotherhood has a file of people who have volunteered to get into missions work. There are about 400 names of both pastors and laymen."

There is a need, Woolf said, for carpenters, plumbers, painters—all types of building trade workers; secretaries; Vacation Bible School workers; and survey workers.

In one pioneer missions area, Woolf said, a church has turned to the Christian Service Corps for voluntary help in complete construction of a new auditorium.

Corps volunteers in 1965

went to Alaska, Hawaii, the mountains of Kentucky, and a missions area in Ohio. Each filled a need on the home missions front, and according to reports from the volunteers, each received a blessing from his effort.

"Words are such poor substitutes," wrote Mrs. Harry D. Wood Jr. of Leaksville, N. C., who served six weeks in Hawaii. "Suffice it to say that my life was enriched, my spirit revived and my love for missions accelerated by this summer's experience."

Greatest Experience

"The entire period" was a series of interesting and worthwhile experiences," Miss Edith Killip of Middletown, Ky. reported after several weeks in Alaska. "I don't know how much my service was worth to the Alaskan Baptist Convention, but each experience was a blessing to me. The greatest experience, I believe, was having the privilege of working with Valeria Sherard, our Home Mission Board missionary in the Arctic. Such dedication, consecration, love, and efficiency I have never seen before."

To qualify for a stint in the Christian Service Corps, volunteers must be: at least 35 years of age; in good physical and mental health; have no hindering family responsibilities; an experienced active member of a Southern Baptist church; able to care for own finances.

Volunteers are not provided salary or honorarium, but local forces are expected to arrange room and board. Although restricted now to the summer months, consideration is being given to expanding it to a year-round ministry.

ECUMENICAL— Study Of Baptist Position Is Urged

NEW YORK (RNS)—A call for close examination of the Baptist ecumenical position has been issued by the president of the American Baptist Convention.

Dr. Robert G. Torbet, dean of Central Baptist Theological Seminary at Kansas City, Kan., said in an article prepared for the Jan. 13 issue of *The Watchman-Examiner*, national independent Baptist weekly here, that "in an era of growing Christian unity, Baptists are sadly in need of discovering areas for mutual understanding."

Such an understanding, he said, "can become a basis for taking our place in giving a united witness to the power of the Gospel to heal the brokenness of mankind and remove the barriers which divide people from each other."

"In such a new climate of openness," the Baptist leader asked, "what will be the position of Baptists? Will it be a growing spirit of cooperation and fellowship with other Christian communions? Or will it be a retreat into isolation?"

Dr. Torbet's questions called attention to the issue in the American Baptist Convention, ever becoming a full participant in the Consultation on Church Union, a six-denominational group which has invited other Churches to take part in its discussions.

The General Council of the ABC last fall deferred a vote on the matter until its next meeting, Feb. 23 in New York City. Five members of an eight-member committee named to make a recommendation favored continued consultant-observer status for the denomination.

Reaction to the committee action included a petition signed by 40 theological professors at American Baptist institutions in favor of full participation in the Consultation.

The Church union talks currently involve the United Presbyterian, Methodist, Episcopal and Evangelical United Brethren Churches, the United Church of Christ and the Christian Churches

(Disciples of Christ).

Dr. Torbet's article in *The Watchman-Examiner*, which devoted the full issue to "The Ecumenical Viewpoint of American Baptists," stated that Baptists do not have a clear position.

The ABC president noted that some Baptists maintain that the denomination is the "only embodiment of true Christianity," others emphasize their "own brand of Baptist witness" and additional members urge greater ecumenical activity.

Scriptures Of The World

The first attempt to list the first editions of the Bible in new languages from the beginning of the printed text in the 15th Century to the present is contained in a new publication of the American Bible Society, "Scriptures of the World: A Compilation of First Editions."

The 64-page, paper bound, 8 1/2 x 11" book, was prepared by Miss Elizabeth J. Eisenhart, Society Librarian. Dr. Eric M. North, formerly a Society General Secretary, Miss Margaret T. Hillis, formerly Society Librarian, now engaged in writing a history of the Society; and the Rev. Dr. Robert Kilgour, of London, British and Foreign Bible Society Editorial Superintendent, initiated the project and contributed the major part of the research.

The book lists 1,232 languages and dialects and notes the year in which a complete Book of the Bible, an entire Testament, or an entire Bible was first published. There are three categories: alphabetical by language, chronological, and geographical.

The alphabetical list ranges in languages and dialects from Abkhazian, spoken by people east of the Black Sea in the U.S.S.R., who had a first Portion published in 1912 but still have no complete Testament or Bible, to Zuni, spoken by Indians in New

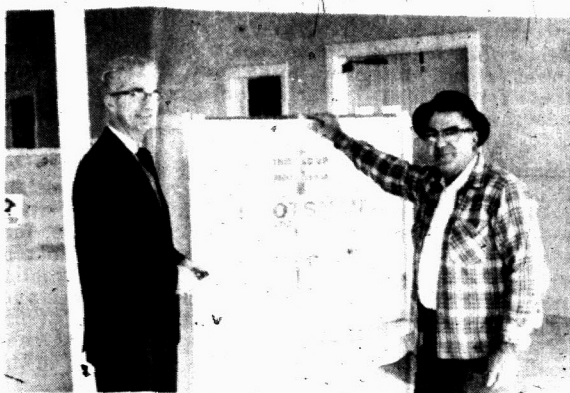
Mexico, who had a first Portion published in 1941 but also have no complete Testament or Bible.

The first three printed translations of the Bible—all complete—were into Latin, 1456; German, 1466; and Italian, 1471. The New Testament was first published in French in 1474 and the Bible in 1530; in Czech, the New Testament was published in 1475, with the complete Bible in 1488. The next two, Dutch and Hebrew, had Old Testaments before the New. A Portion of the Bible was first published in Dutch in 1477, the Old Testament in 1480, and the complete Bible in 1522. In Hebrew, the first Portion was published in 1477, the Old Testament in 1488, and the complete Bible in 1599.

Catalan, Low German, Ancient Greek, Chaldean, Spanish, Slavonic, Serbo-Croatian and Portuguese followed in that order. Ethiopic, next, which had its first Portion in 1513 and the Next Testament in 1549, did not have a complete Bible until 1919. English, which stands 21st in line, had its first Scripture publication in the form of a New Testament in 1525 and a whole Bible in 1535.

The most recent translation listed is that of Zoque: Francisco Leon, published in 1964, and spoken in Chiapas Province in Mexico.

Repairs Go On At Gulfshore

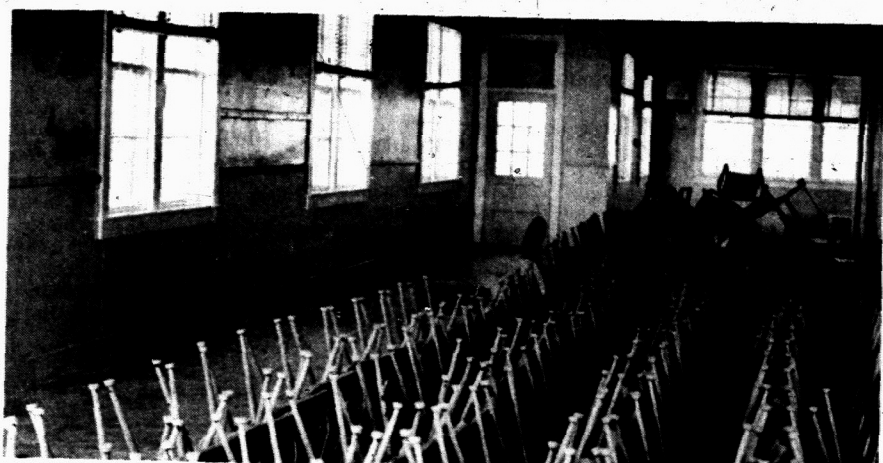


Tom Douglas, manager of Gulfshore, and Grady Blackwell, superintendent of maintenance, examine some of the new equipment.

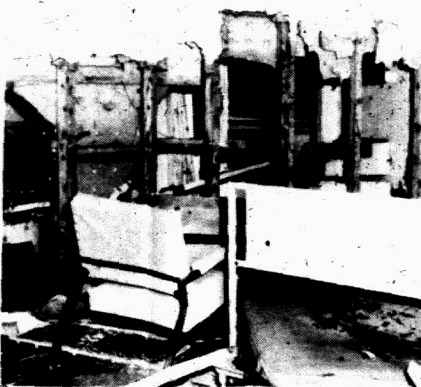


The gymnasium is being used as a shop for repair and refinishing of furniture and fixtures.

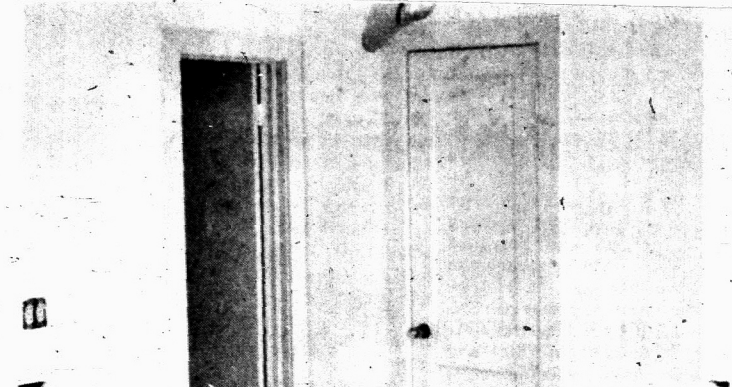
Hurricane Betsy did terrible damage to Gulfshore Assembly. Yet, the summer encampment was "down but not out." As these pictures reveal, repairs are in progress and going steadily forward, in preparation for this year's conferences.



Cleaned and repaired chairs are stacked in the dining room, where painting, and repair of windows, doors, and floor are completed.



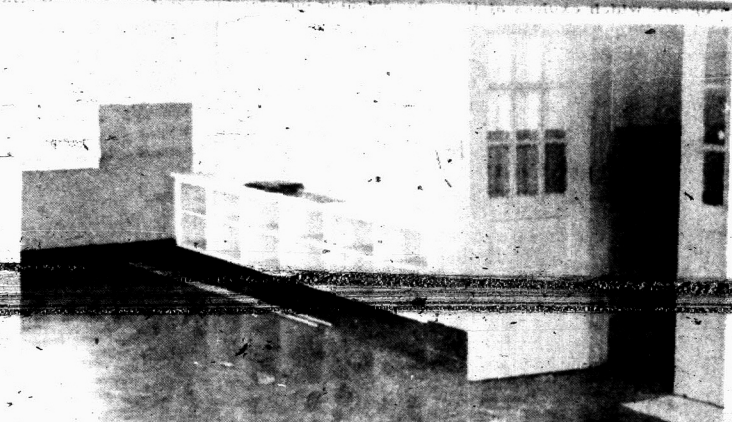
BEFORE — A bedroom in Driftwood immediately after the storm.



AFTER — A corner of the same bedroom in Driftwood today.



BEFORE — Here is one of the lounges in Gulf Hall soon after the hurricane.



AFTER — Here is the same lounge in Gulf Hall as it appears today, before furniture is replaced.

They Walked And Witnessed

Forty students from the Baptist pastors' school in Kaduna, Nigeria—in a modern-day parallel to Luke 10—went out "two and two" recently to conduct a religious survey in scattered bush villages.

With each carrying only a change of clothing, a sleeping mat, and a little food money, they walked and witnessed. In some villages they were refused permission even to spend the night and were asked not to return. But in many they were welcomed.

In one village 12 people professed faith in Christ before the students moved on. Since the visit these 12 have won 13 more, and now they want a pastor to live among them and help them develop their new faith.

Encouragement that needs and requests such as this can be met in Northern Nigeria came in mid-December when 29 men graduated from the pastors' school.

Names In The News

Rev. and Mrs. I. Samuel Perkins, missionaries, were scheduled to leave Brazil Jan. 4 for furlough in the States. They may be addressed at Rte. 1, Hernando, Miss. Born in Belen, Miss., he lived in Mississippi and Tennessee while growing up; she, the former Betty Williams, was born and reared in Hernando.

choir (Jerry Walker, minister of music.)

Rev. Robert L. Carlisle of Morton, missionary, and his family are returning to South America after a year of furlough. Their address will be Dr. Carlos Ma. de Pena 4309, Montevideo, Uruguay.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Earl Posey Jr., missionaries to the Philippines, are scheduled to arrive in the States February 7 for furlough. They may be addressed, c/o H. L. Eubanks, 3805 E. Camellia Drive, Mobile, Ala., 36609. Born in Boyles, Ala., Mr. Posey grew up near Pinson, Ala.; Mrs. Posey, the former Mamie Lou Eubanks, was born in Lucedale, Miss., and lived in Houston, Tex., and Mobile while growing up.

HOWARD COLLEGE STILL LIVES AT SAMFORD UNIVERSITY

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (BP) — Howard College, one of the oldest schools affiliated with Southern Baptist state convention, still exists even though officially its name has been changed to Samford University.

The Baptist school will retain the name of Howard College for its liberal arts school, the original core component of what today is Sam-

ford University. Action by the Alabama Baptist State Convention, which owns and supports the school, officially changed the name of Howard College to Samford University in November. Howard College exists today. But only as a part of a greater institution — Samford University, said a release from the Samford news bureau.

RANKS THIRD IN NATION—

Mississippi Trains More Missionaries

By John R. Sampey
Furman University
Greenville, S. C.

A check on the 1965 edition of *Missionary Album*, published by the Foreign Mission Board, reveals that 22 colleges of Mississippi granted 124 degrees to missionaries now serving in many lands, and enrolled 79 who did not receive degrees.

Mississippi College has the distinction of ranking third among the colleges of the nation in the number of degrees granted to these dedicated Kingdom servants, and four out of every five missionaries awarded earned degrees from the state received them from Mississippi College or Blue Mountain College. And one out of every three missionaries enrolled in the colleges

of the state who did not graduate attended one of these two Baptist colleges.

Mississippi Baptists should ponder these evidences of loyalty to the Great Commission as they plan for the future of their denominational colleges in this day of rapidly rising costs of higher education.

Fourteen state-operated colleges with their thousands of students awarded 26 degrees and enrolled 35 future Baptist missionaries who did not graduate. An overwhelming number of missionaries attended more than one college in preparation for their high calling, and a large majority also received more than a Bachelor's degree (seminary degrees, masters and doctorates from universities). Mis-

issippi State University granted nine degrees and enrolled three who did not graduate, to lead the state-supported colleges, followed by University of Mississippi with six degrees and four enrolled, Mississippi State College for Women with five degrees and five enrolled, University of Southern Mississippi with three degrees awarded and three enrolled who did not receive degrees.

Four colleges supported by other denominations granted no degrees to future Baptist missionaries but enrolled 11: Belhaven, 2; Millsaps, 5; Mississippi Industrial, 1; and Wood Junior, 3. The 1964-65 edition of *Education Directory* of the U. S. Office of Education was used to determine the classification of the col-

leges.

One privately endowed college, Gulf Park, had one future appointee enrolled who did not graduate.

Blue Mountain College awarded 21 degrees and enrolled 16 who did not receive degrees, Mississippi College granted 73 earned degrees and had 11 enrolled who did not graduate and William Carey college awarded 4 degrees and had 5 enrolled who did not graduate.

More than fourscore years ago, Dr. John A. Broadus, prince among preachers, stated a truth which has often been repeated: "A call to preach is a call to prepare to preach." May Mississippi Baptists give much more of their abundant means to support the training of the called,

young men and young women who in the years to come will dedicate their lives to carrying the life-saving Gospel of our Lord to the distant, dark, and dangerous lands of our dying world.

Our bones are strong. The strongest is the shin bone, which can support a one-ton weight. It is three times as strong as oak. The human brain, which weighs about three pounds can hold enough information to fill six million books. Every 24 hours your kidneys utilize 50 gallons of fluid and 5 pounds of solids in eliminating wastes. The outside of your body is covered by about 20 square feet of skin.

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Mississippi Does Not Need Legalized Liquor!

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rates in the nation, according to the FBI Index of Crime. In 1963 that rate was the lowest in the nation. Since crime and liquor go often go hand in hand, it seems inevitable that legalization would bring a crime increase in the state.

Along with this would be an increased number of alcoholics, more drinking drivers on the highways, and more of the other liquor-caused problems in homes, among youth etc. All of these are conditions which no right thinking Mississippian wants, yet they are almost certain to come if liquor is legalized, even in a few sections of the state.

Corruption

3. Legalization would not eliminate corruption, even though the argument is being made that it would do so, if the areas of the state where a majority want liquor are allowed to have it. Suppose, however, that some of those areas did not vote wet, even though proponents of legalization vow that they would. Would all of the alleged present corruption be eliminated by that vote? Would alleged pay-offs, etc., suddenly end because the majority had spoken? And what about those counties which most certainly will vote dry in local option elections? Will the liquor forces let them

alone? The record seems to be the same everywhere, that once the liquor group gets into control in an area, it makes more and more demands. Atlanta, Ga., is an example right now, where the liquor forces are demanding that hard liquors be allowed to be sold in the new baseball stadium. There is not the slightest evidence that legalization of liquor will bring about a great reform movement in the state, as far as corruption is concerned.

Advertising

4. With the legalization of liquor, even in a few counties, eventually will come the open display of liquor, and liquor advertising on signs, billboards, in newspapers, and by other media. It is true that at least one of the proposals before the legislature, forbids this, but such promises have been made in other states, and soon fell by the wayside. Mississippi is free from these things today and one has only to travel in neighboring states, to see that they are most undesirable. Yet, it can be safely predicted that they soon will come if legal liquor should be allowed in the state.

Legalizing Evil

5. The state would be legalizing a product which is best known for its evil effects on mankind. Throughout history alcohol has been a curse upon the world. Strong drink has debauched character, destroyed homes, caused the downfall of nations, blighted lives and damned souls from the beginning of time, and continues to do those things today. No wonder the Bible says "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." and "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink." Yet, Mississippians are being urged to legalize this curse, so that it may become more accessible, and its purveyors may more readily prey upon the states citizens.

Mississippi Better Off

6. Some call the present situation hypocritical,

but as bad as it is, Mississippi is still far better off than states which have legalized liquor. The vast majority of Mississippians do not have to endure saloons, liquor stores, liquor advertising, or liquor on the shelves of their favorite restaurants, drug stores, etc. Admittedly, liquor is here in some places, but it is not a "respected citizen", and it is not brazenly displayed from the best business corners in our cities and towns. Drinking there is, but not as much as in wet areas. If one disagrees with this let him live for a while in wet territory, and then come back to live in Mississippi. Mississippians have not said to their young people that they approve of liquor and its attendant evils. They would do so by legalization. Liquor is here but it is down the back alley, or hidden from sight in most areas of the state. Illegal liquor is bad, but legal liquor is just as bad, and legalization increases the amount.

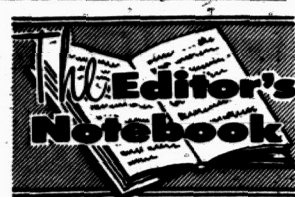
There are many other reasons why liquor should not be legalized, but these are enough for this time. They show that legalization, even by local option in only a few areas, will not solve the state's liquor problems. It will only make infinitely worse the basic problems—drunkenness, alcoholism, crime, lawlessness, and others.

Improvement Needed

This does not mean that the situation should be allowed to remain as it is. The legislature can and should take steps to remedy the matter, but legalization is not the answer. The liquor laws can be enforced, as has been proved in many of the counties of the state.

Those who oppose liquor and its legalization should make their position clearly known to their legislators now. The wet forces are hard at work. It is time for the dries to stand up and be counted once more.

Whatever the legislature may do about the bills before it, or about new bills which may be introduced, Mississippi does not need legalized liquor!



Dr. Max Muller, Professor of Modern Languages at Oxford University for many years, and author of a monumental 51 volume set "The Sacred Books of the East" wrote,

"In the discharge of my duties for forty years as professor of Sanskrit in the University of Oxford, I have devoted as much time as any man living to the study of the Sacred Books of the East, and I have found the one keynote, the one diapason, so to speak, of all these so-called sacred books, whether it be the Veda of the Brahmins, the Puranas of Siva and Vishnu, the Koran of the Mohammedans, the Zend-Avesta of the Parsees, the Tripitaka of the Buddhists—the one refrain through all—salvation by works. Our own holy Bible, our sacred Book of the East, is from beginning to end a protest against this doctrine. Good works are, indeed, enjoined upon us in that sacred Book of the East far more strongly than in any other sacred book of the East; but they are only the outcome of a grateful heart—they are only a thank-offering, the fruits of our faith. They are never the ransom money of the true disciples of Christ. Let us not shut our eyes to what is excellent and true and of good report in these sacred books, but let us teach Hindus, Buddhists, Mohammedans, that there is only one sacred Book of the East that can be their mainstay in that awful hour when they pass all alone into the unseen world. It is the sacred Book which contains that faithful saying, worthy to be received of all men, women, and children, and not merely of us Christians—that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."

—Quoted by Wilbur M. Smith, in Moody Monthly Jan. 1966.

The First Psalm is the most popular portion of Holy Scriptures in every part of the world, according to Dr. Eugene A. Nida, Translation Secretary of the American Bible Society.

Calendar of Prayer

according to birthdays.)
January 24—Robert Madison, Carey College faculty; Mrs. Kate Jernigan, faculty, Gilfoyle School of Nursing.
January 25—O. P. Moore, Clarke College faculty; Belton Thornton, Jasper associational Brotherhood president.
January 26—Louise Lockhart, Baptist Book Store; Tinnie Glee Jones, staff, Children's Village.
January 27—Mrs. Owen Cooper, vice - president, state WMU; Margaret Eakin, Baptist student director, Blue Mountain College.
January 28—Mrs. Mary Catherine Atwood, Baptist Building; Mrs. Peggy Broome, Baptist Building.
January 29—Frank Gunn, Holmes associational Sunday school superintendent; J. L. Boyd, Mississippi Baptist Historical Commission.
January 30—Anna B. Holt, Blue Mountain College faculty; W. C. Blanton, Warren associational superintendent of missions.

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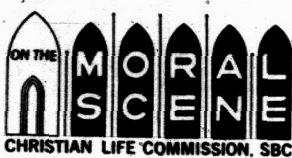
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The British government believes its propaganda against cigarette smoking, now three years old, is beginning to make an impact on the nation's thinking. "We believe we have partly demolished the thought barrier which saw cigarette smoking as a natural and harmless function," said a spokesman for the Ministry of Health. The tobacco industry in Britain admits that reports linking cigarette smoking and cancer have affected cigarette consumption. The industry contends, however, that the major reason for diminishing sales is the higher cost of smoking due to increased taxation.

Seventeen Moscow youths were recently convicted of "surrendering to the brainwashing propaganda warfare of the West which is trying to destroy all that we believe in." Their crime: thronging together in a pub-

music or transistor radios. Meanwhile, back in the US, some anti-communist crusaders were labeling such music as a communist plot.

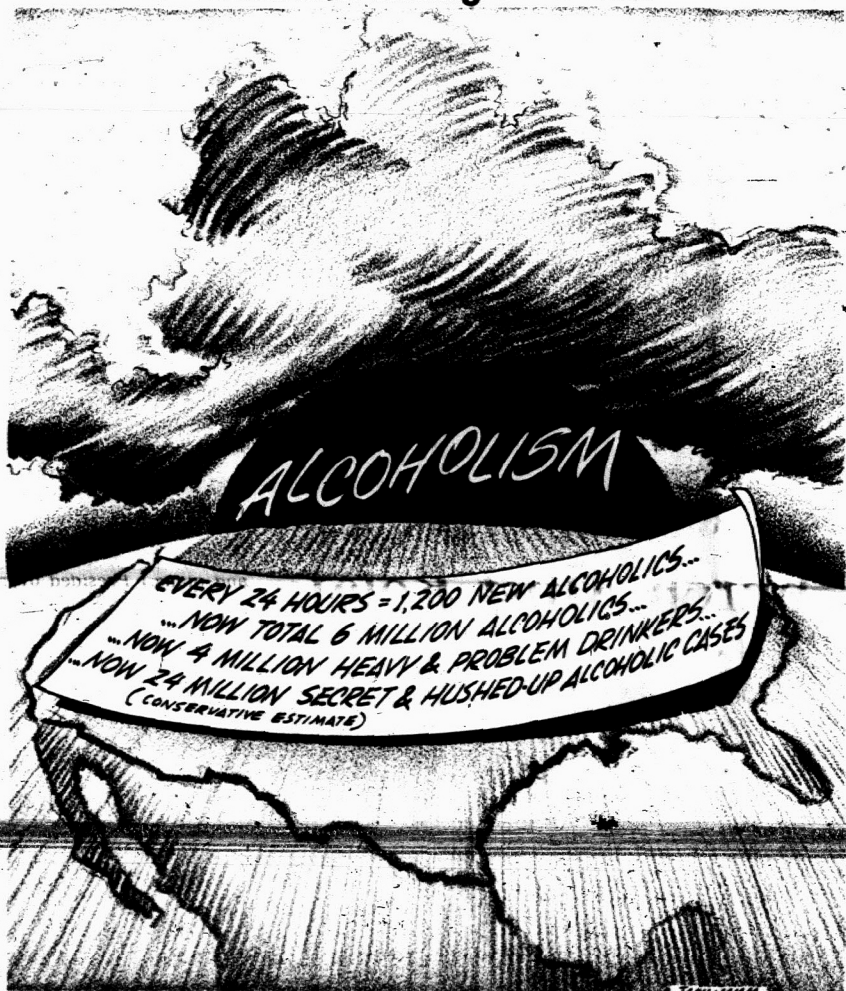
A computer has drawn a composite portrait of the 402 youths arrested in the Watts riots of last August. The typical youth: a 17-year-old Negro boy from a fatherless home, doing poorly in school or a dropout. The total family income was about \$300 a month. He had little to do with community-sponsored organizations and even less to do with any church.

The Health Insurance Institute reports that over 53.1 million persons were injured in the US in 1964, a gain of 1.3 million over the previous years, making 1964 the worst accident year in history. Some alcohol experts estimate that about 55% of serious and fatal accidents, including those in the home and in automobiles, are caused in whole or in part by misuse of alcohol.

The United States Department of Labor reports that violations of the Fair Labor Standards and Public Contract Acts have increased every year for the past ten years. In 1965 the amount of wages illegally withheld was 23% higher than in the previous year. More than 400,000 American workers were underpaid nearly \$75 million in minimum wage and overtime earnings last year.

"Of all the ugly forms of discrimination, none is as destructive to a man's life as prejudice that prevents him from getting a job and making a living...all of the high goals of our civil rights laws will fail if we do not overcome discrimination that makes a family man a defeated pauper and an embittered creature of public charity."—Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., Chairman, US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Black Sun Rising Over U.S.



Newest In Books

MISS STRONG ARM, THE STORY OF ANNIE ARMSTRONG by Jacqueline Durham, with illustrations by Hertha Depper (Broadman, 174 pp., \$2.95)

This is a new biography for Juniors. But grown-ups will enjoy it, too. Annie Armstrong was a lively, brave, tireless girl who did something about the needs of Indians, Negroes, immigrants, and orphans. As first secretary of WMU, she did so much for home missions that the annual offering was named for her. Her life in the bustling harbor city of Baltimore makes fascinating reading indeed. The author lives in Decatur, Georgia; her husband is secretary of promotion of the Home Mission Board.

WHAT THE BIBLE TELLS US by Doris Cutter (Broadman, paperback, 48 pp., 75 cents)

Written in easy-to-read form, this book explains basic Christian beliefs. A list at the beginning of the book defines difficult words. Articles are written to be easily interpreted to deaf persons and understood by new readers. The author is editor of Sunday School Lessons Simplified, Sunday School Senior Adults, and Braille Periodicals, Baptist Sunday School Board.

WITH PATRICK HENRY'S HELP by Helen A. Monsell, illustrated by William Hutchins

son (Broadman, 192 pp., \$2.95)
This new book, one of the biography series for Juniors, is an action-packed story of Baptists in colonial Virginia, fearlessly fighting for religious freedom. How teenager, Lud Carr, was drawn into the struggle for freedom of worship, even enlisting the help of Patrick Henry, is the theme.

THE OTHER DIMENSION by Ralph L. Murray (Broadman, 96 pp., \$2.00)

Here are nine meditations on the Lord's Prayer which offer stimulating interpretation for today's needs. The author, a Baptist pastor in Knoxville, Tennessee, uses interesting excerpts from poetry, hymns, and other sources as he stresses the importance of prayer in each Christian's life.

STANDARD LESSON COMMENTARY, 1966 edited by J. W. Yarbrough (Standard, 448 pp., \$3.25)

Eight large pages devoted to each Sunday school lesson include verse-by-verse explanation of text; truth for daily living; practical application of lesson; teaching plan for youth and adults; and plans for teaching the lesson. A cumulative index of Scripture references in six-year-cycle is a helpful feature.

THE NON-DRINKER'S DRINK BOOK by Betty Rollin (recipes by Lucy Rosenfeld)

(Doubleday, 213 pp., \$4.50)

A collection of 300 tempting, thirst-quenching recipes for drinks that use no alcohol. The "light-hearted and hard-headed" book was created under the assumption that non-drinkers have been inauspiciously neglected.

SHARE MY DEVOTIONS by Catrina Parrott Whaley (Baker, 126 pp., \$1.95)

A book of devotions for women, for personal and group use.

THE POWER OF PERFECTION: What do you see when you look at a rose? by Marcus Bach (Doubleday, 156 pp., \$4.50)

A skilled essayist shows how life rewards those willing to look for the unseen, to listen for the unheard.

TEEN-AGERS AND SEX, A GUIDE FOR PARENTS by James A. Pike (Prentice-Hall, 146 pp., \$3.95)

Bishop Pike explains the conflicting currents in this subject, answers questions most asked by parents, and suggests a sound program of sex education, beginning early in life.

LISTEN FOR A RAINBOW by Bernice Hogan, (Fleming H. Revell, 166 pp., \$2.50)

Exquisitely written meditations on the miracles of every day. An imaginative author has written for the imaginative reader.

New Sacred Records

OH, WHAT A DAY—Curt Davis — Organ and Chimes (Zondervan ZLP-680)

An organist who is sometimes called "the dean of evangelistic hymn arrangements" uses the organ and chimes to interpret some of the great hymns of inspiration.

ORGAN AND PIANO FAVORITES — Harold DeCoo (Zondervan — ZLP — 671)

An organist and pianist who has won acclaim across America and in Europe, as he has been associated in evangelism with such men as Jack Wrytzen, Percy Crawford, Dick Robinson and George Sweeting, presents some of his favorite numbers.

SIXTEEN SINGING MEN, Vol. 7—Scott Douglas, Director (Zondervan ZLP-666)

This famous singing group presents a selection of mostly new numbers. Included are "No Other Song," "All That Thrills My Soul is Jesus," "Send I You, How Can It Be," and others less familiar.

SPECIAL RECORDS

This is the centennial of the Salvation Army. Zondervan has presented two special albums for the occasion. They are:

A CENTURY OF SALVATION ARMY MUSIC (ZLP-681) which presents the centennial chorus, and the Chicago Band and the Detroit Citadel Band, in some of the great music of the Salvation Army. The second album is **THE MILLERS PRESENT SONGS OF A SEEKING SAVIOUR (ZLP-685)** presenting vocal music by two Salvation Army officers, Captain and Mrs. Ernest A. Miller. They present songs widely used in the Salvation Army.

TWO SERMONS BY KENNETH L. CHAFIN (Word-W-6118-LP)

Another album in the Word GREAT SERMONS SERIES. Dr. Chafin is the new Professor of Evangelism filling the Billy Graham Chair of Evangelism of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. The messages are **The Costly Concern**, a message of evangelism delivered at the Southern Baptist Convention in Dallas in June 1965, and **Learning to Love**, a message delivered to laymen in Colorado, in January, 1965. Full text of the two messages is included. This is outstanding preaching, clearly outlined, richly illustrated, and delivered in stirring power. The messages deal with problems facing Baptists and other Christians' fight now.

SERMONS AND MESSAGES J. WALLACE HAMILTON (Word W-6122-LP)

Two sermons by the famous minister of the Pasadena Community Church of St. Petersburg, Fla. The messages are **The Thunder of Bare Feet** and **The God Who Waits**.

CARLYLE MARNEY (Word W-6121-LP)

Two sermons by the widely known pastor of the Myers Park Baptist Church of Charlotte, N. C. The messages are **"The Lord Reigned From the Tree"** and **"Which Man-This Cross"**.

WHO IS THE ALCOHOLIC —Gert Behanna (Word W-3358-LP)

A former alcoholic who found the way out through Jesus Christ, talks about this great problem and how to conquer it.

BH Sermons For February On Isaiah

THE BAPTIST HOUR sermons for February are taken from scriptures in Isaiah, one of the major prophets. "The Strange Ways of God"—the sermon for February 6—is from Isaiah 44:28.

Isaiah 40:9 is the scripture for "Sleeping Through a Revolution"—the sermon for February 13. "Who is to Blame?" (Isaiah 48:18) will be on the February 20 program and "Forlorn, but Not Forgotten" will be the February 27 program. The scripture reading will be Isaiah 49:15.

The sermons for the month of February continue the quarter's theme "The World in Crisis."

Dr. Herschel H. Hobbs, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Oklahoma City; Oklahoma, is THE BAPTIST HOUR preacher.

THE BAPTIST HOUR is produced and distributed by the Radio-Television Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention. The 30-minute modified worship program is recorded, edited and produced in the studios at the Commission in Fort Worth, Texas.

Dr. Paul M. Stevens is executive director of the Commission.

Church Wants To Give Away 22 Old Pews

McCondy Church has found 22 pews they want to donate to some small church which could use them. The pews are approximately 11 feet long, home-made, strip-style, with open ends.

The pastor, Rev. J. Paul Jones, explains, "We realize there is no resale value to them, but thought that maybe some small church or mission could use them, and they may have them by writing or calling, and making arrangements to pick them up."

Any church interested should contact Pastor Jones before going to McCondy. The telephone number is 456-2962, Houston, Miss. Or write Rev. J. Paul Jones, McCondy Baptist Church, McCondy, Miss.

McCondy Church has already installed new pews in the sanctuary.

The old pews will be given to the first church requesting made pulpits is available with the pews.

15th Avenue's Diamond Jubilee Draws To Close

Fifteenth Ave., Meridian's year-long observance of its 75th anniversary will be climaxed in the final week of January, with a revival led by a former pastor, Rev. Jack Southerland, of Stamford, Texas, and a former minister of music, George VanEgmond, of Vicksburg.

The Diamond Jubilee observance began with an old-time service and dinner on the ground, with the program being given in costume, beads and top-hats and all, commemorating the beginning of the Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church in 1891 by Rev. W. J. David and his small congregation upon the present site of the church. Also included in the observance has been a special music service in which David, Farrimore and Paul Adams, two former ministers of music of the church, had a part.

The Jubilee Steering Committee was composed of Dalton Burch, Chairman, N. D. Brookshire, Jr., Mrs. W. E. Pigford, and Mrs. Charles Snowden. Dr. Bob Simmons is pastor.

5-Get Diplomas In Ecuador

Ranging in age from early 20's to 50 plus, five men received diplomas in theology from the Baptist theological institute in Guayaquil, Ecuador, December 18. They are the second class to graduate from the institute, which has just completed its fifth year of formal operation.

Is God Dead For The Public Schools?

By Duke K. McCall, President

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.
(From THE TIE, February 1966)

Some organized groups have been claiming that the United States Supreme Court was seeking to kill God so far as public education is concerned. Some cautious religious leaders have attempted to interpret Supreme Court rulings in the past as really favoring freedom of religion. Both groups have overstated their cases.

The most recent action (December 13, 1965) gives clear indication that the Supreme Court of the United States is prepared to drive the worship of God out of the public school. The emphasis is on worship or any sort of liturgical or semi-liturgical activity.

Note the sequence of action. In 1962 the Supreme Court ruled unconstitutional the use of state-composed prayers. In 1963 it struck down state laws requiring classroom recitation of the Lord's prayer and devotional Bible reading. In 1965 it has refused to review an appeal from a New York court ruling that banned voluntary recitation of a nursery prayer in public schools. The effect of this Supreme Court action was to support the New York State Education Department's decision that merely allowing religious exercises in the schools would violate the first amendment's prohibition of the "establishment of religion by the state. One of the prayers was:

God is great, God is good,

And we thank Him for our food. Amen.

That is hardly a sectarian prayer since it is not even necessarily Christian.

The Ban

It should be noted first that the ban on religious activities is not now limited to sectarian activities. Almost 20 years ago I found myself in controversy with Southern Baptist official leadership, because of my insistence that the only thing which should be banned from the public schools was sectarian religious practices. That battle is now irrevocably lost.

The second thing to note is that the ban is no longer limited to official liturgical acts or required religious activities. Voluntary religious activities by any school employee are apparently considered improper.

Does this, then, officially deliver the public schools to a secular, godless philosophy? If the answer to that is yes, then I must abandon my long, vigorous support of the public schools and advocate the establishment of a Baptist parochial school system. I am, however, still opposed to such a parochial school system because I believe there is one avenue which the Supreme Court has deliberately left open.

The Problem

The problem is that Southern Baptists will necessarily have to rethink their position to support it. The Supreme Court has left open thus far teaching about religion as one of the phenomena of life.

This would mean that the history course must stop filtering out references to the role of religion in history, especially the history of the United States. The social science teacher must stop pretending that business and government represent the only important institutions in American life and deal objectively with the role of the churches. The course in world

literature or even English literature must take off its blinders and admit that not only the greatest but the most influential literature has included religious writing.

Alternative

The instinctive Southern Baptist reaction to such a proposal will be objection. But what is the alternative? The alternative is not the current situation in southern schools. It is rather the situation in some northeastern public schools where God is dead, religion an irrelevant subject and all man's natural appetites should be satisfied as soon as possible. In other words, a materialist philosophy undergirds education even as it does in Russia and China. Confronted with that alternative, a wise Baptist would choose a good Roman Catholic parochial school for his children as much the lesser of two evils.

I must confess to having used emotion-loaded expressions in the hope and the prayer that Southern Baptists will wake up before it is too late. Name calling will do no good. What realistic practical proposal do you have? Change the Constitution? Change the Supreme Court? Change our Southern Baptist stance? Bury our heads and hope the whole problem will go away? The answer of the radical theologians is "God is dead" so what difference does it make?

God is not dead. My Christian faith declares that history is indeed "his story." No education is adequate which ignores Him. The rights of atheists and agnostics are only equal to other sectarians. If, as a Christian, I may not claim a special role in the public school for my religious faith, I can demand that public education tell the whole truth about the place of religion in the affairs of men.

Lottie Moon Gifts..

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young people did a choral reading. It was an adaptation of the meditation in the December issue of *Royal Service*, "My Home Is..." The theme of the reading was "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."

Allen Drost led in a Roll Call of Nations, as several young people displayed flags of different countries. Mrs. J. H. Street told the life story of "Lottie Moon, Pioneer Christian."

Emmanuel, Biloxi
Emmanuel Church, Biloxi, went over their \$500 Lottie Moon goal the first Sunday in December. Gifts have reached \$685, the largest amount the church has ever given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Rev. Justus Garrett, pastor, said that it was much easier to project the goal and to make the main emphasis for the offering, early in December. Mrs. H. K. Rouse, WMU president, and Mrs. Ray Hinderliter, prayer chairman, were in charge.

Como Church
Como Church exceeded their Lottie Moon goal of \$1500. An all-time high of \$1674.35 was given to the offering, according to the pastor, Rev. James A. Ruffin.

East Moss Point
East Moss Point Church went beyond the \$1400 goal set for its Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Amount received by early January was \$1443.81.

"Each year the Sunday school departments are assigned a certain amount of the goal, and when reached, special recognition is given. This year a large picture of the church was portrayed, and along with it a map of the world. Streamers were placed on the map where there is mission work and then when a department of the Sunday school reached its goal a streamer was attached to the church," explains Rev. Paul Leber, pastor.

Dixie Church
In gifts to the Lottie Moon Offering of 1965, Dixie Church, Lebanon Association, averaged \$7.50 per member!

On Sunday, Jan. 9, the Dixie Church dedicated its Lottie Moon Offering to the cause of Christ. Dedication prayer was led by Rev. J. P. Holcomb, retired minister and member of the church. The check was for \$2,215.00.

"This was not done at the expense of the Cooperative Program," the pastor, Rev. R. C. Woodham, said, "For several years our church has been first in the Lebanon Association in per capita giving through the Cooperative Program. We have recognized this as the 'Life-Line' of all our mission efforts and have increased the amount given as often as possible. The increase for this year was 17%."

Clarke Shows...

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re-set. The Y.W.A. committee, with President Juanita West leading, had set the remarkably high goal of \$2465 for the 1965 Lottie Moon offering. The Y. W. A. always leads in promoting the foreign mission emphasis in many directions—chapel serv-

ices, special prayer meetings and even a work program that enables students to earn money to contribute to the offering. The entire Clarke College family cooperates in this effort.

Then the word got around that \$28.25 would support the work for one minute, and the urge came to "give an hour's worth." When this was done, more money was forthcoming and two more minutes were provided for.

The star, which has long since become the traditional way for the incoming funds to be registered, had all of its "\$60 bulbs" turned on and as President Compere turned on the last one indicating that the victory was won, another sign was illuminated which said simply "One Hour."

But the giving of \$2805 is only a part of the great missionary emphasis felt on Clarke campus in recent weeks. There was the inspiration that came when furloughing missionaries spoke in chapel; when student MKs (missionary children) gave their testimonies and when student mission volunteers shared their enthusiasm with other students.

There were the holy impulses stirred when Mrs. J. H. Street taught the book on *Brazil, Student Leadership*, thinking in morning watch and dorm prayer meetings, and then there was that sweetest of all experiences—room-to-room visiting to discuss what it means to really give worthily to Christ. God was honored and God poured out blessings lavishly. His Spirit stirred deeply.

New York.—Jerome Hines, Metropolitan Opera star, urged the 1965 annual meeting of the American Bible Society to "make every possible effort to place the Bible in the hands of all the people on this globe. It is the only hope for this sad world today."



AN APPRECIATIVE AUDIENCE greeted Marian Graham Thornton at First Church, Newton, Sunday afternoon, January 9, when she was presented in faculty recital by Clarke College. Dr. W. L. Compere, president of the college, introduced Mrs. Thornton and her accompanist, James Thrash, a pupil of Mrs. Thornton.

DR. CARL HENRY— Church Must Relate Itself To World

BOSTON (RNS) — A noted Protestant churchman declared here that the church today faces its greatest challenge and "seems to lack the courage and conviction to cope with this challenge."

Dr. Carl F. Henry of Washington, D. C., editor of the conservative Protestant fortnightly, *Christianity Today*, called attention to "proposals for restructuring the church" which are developing out of the realization "that the church faces a crisis."

He addressed some 700 clergy from a dozen states in attendance at the sixth annual New England Conference on Evangelism sponsored by the 78-year-old Evangelistic Association of New England.

Main problems affecting the church, Dr. Henry said, include the "slump of Western culture to a natural-

istic and materialistic mood and the population explosion." Also, he cited "the staggering scientific advances that compound man's moral dilemmas in respect to sex and war and the world initiative of atheistic communism."

The "longing for new forms and structures in the church," Dr. Henry said, "arises from a sense of present inadequacy, a lively concern for relevance and a conviction that Christianity still holds incomparable merit and spiritual resources for lifting the modern world out of its chaotic confusion."

He emphasized that the church "must relate itself effectively to the world—must therefore agonize with men in all generations, declaring why Christians overcome while others are overwhelmed in their historical struggles."

Another speaker at the conference, Dr. N. Gordon Cosby of the Church of the Saviour in Washington, D. C., called on Christians to create "faithful structures which further the proclamation of the Gospel" and termed "heretical" those structures—buildings and bureaucracies—which hinder the proclamation of the Gospel.

"First," the clergyman declared, "the Body of Christ—the committed Christians who are the church—must be out in the world. Small cadres of people must be out in the world, not confined within a building. They must be at home in the world and they must love the world."

"Being in the world is a very radical thing for many Christians," he continued, "because it changes the traditional stance of the church. The particular shape of the corporate life of a congregation should be determined by the needs of the world in which its members rub shoulders every day."

An old-fashioned topic for spring fever was two ounces of sulphur and two ounces of molasses, mixed.

Potts Camp Church Celebrates "Dr. James L. Travis" Day

Sunday, January 9, was "Dr. James L. Travis Day" at Potts Camp Church, where Dr. Travis has served as pastor for the past two and one-half years. Blue Mountain's Professor of Bible recently resigned the pastorate at Potts Camp to become pastor of Cherry Creek Church, in Pontotoc County, (the church formerly served by the late Dr. J. B. Gambrell, Dr. J. B. Lawrence, and for ten years by the late Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler, during the time he served Blue Mountain College as Professor of Bible.) Dr. Travis began his new service on Sunday, January 16.

The special "Dr. Travis Day" program was presented in the new auditorium of the Potts Camp Church, completed under the leadership of Dr. Travis. (The new auditorium has modern lighting, carpeting, furnishings, a new Hammond Electric organ, and piano.) Presided over by the Chairman of Deacons, Randolph Walker, each official of the church gave a personal testimony in appreciation of Dr. Travis' Bible teaching, leadership, guidance, and missionary service.

Blue Mountain College was represented at the "Dr. Travis Appreciation Day" by Miss Marguerite Hill, Associate Director of *Worldwide Relations*, who also gave a testimonial message of appreciation of the honoree.

After the special service, guests and members of the Potts Camp Church were invited to the dining area, where a noon meal was spread by the members of the WMU.

In the afternoon, Dr. and Mrs. James L. Travis were asked to play and sing favorite special hymns for the church members.

The "Dr. Travis Day" was also dedication day for the new auditorium. Randolph Walker presented Dr. Travis with a key to the auditorium, and stated that the new bronze plaque would bear his name and be affixed to the wall of the new building.



RANDOLPH WALKER, Chairman of Deacons of the Potts Camp Church, Benton County, is shown at left, as he presented the official key of the new church auditorium to Dr. James L. Travis, Professor of Bible at Blue Mountain College, who has just completed more than two years service as pastor of the Potts Camp Church.



During the "Dr. James L. Travis Appreciation Day" of the Potts Camp Church, Miss Carol Ann McAlexander, youngest new church member, is shown at left, as she greeted her pastor, Dr. Travis.

NO RIOTS EXPECTED!

700 Students To Gather Near The Golden Gate

Seven hundred college students from 15 states are expected to attend the 8th World Mission Conference to be held February 4-6 on the campus of Golden Gate Baptist Seminary near San Francisco. Open to all college and college-age young people, the annual conference will focus attention on the vacation, career, and theology of Christian mission. Theme for the 1966 conference is "ONE WORLD—ONE MISSION."

Program speakers include Dr. John Killinger, Professor of Homiletics at Vanderbilt University; Dr. Winston Crawley, Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Board Secretary for the Orient; and Dr. Hugo Culpepper, Director of the Missions Division of the Home Mission Board.



CENTER RIDGE CHURCH, Kemper County, on December 19 dedicated their modern brick building to the glory of God and His mission program, states Glen Brown, clerk. The deacons burned the bank notes, thereby declaring the 120-year-old church free of all debt. The structure includes an assembly room and a kitchen-dining area; a deep well nearby affords an abundance of water. Rev. F. H. Miller is pastor; Miss Anna Lee Ross is treasurer.



Clyde Bryan Walton

Memorial Scholarship Established

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Walton of Carthage have established with the Mississippi Baptist Foundation the Clyde Bryan Walton Memorial Scholarship, in memory of their son, the late Clyde Bryan Walton. Proceeds from the fund will provide a scholarship at Mississippi College.

Woman's Missionary Union

WMU Annual Meeting March 29-30



Dr. Walker

Dr. Lambright

Miss Hairston

The Annual Meeting of Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union, which will be held at Calvary Church, Jackson, will feature the following missionary speakers during the two-day convention.

Both Dr. Jack Walker, of Tanzania, and Dr. R. L. Lambright, of Indonesia, are medical doctors in the countries where they are serving as missionaries of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Walker was one of our honored guests when the WMU Annual

Meeting was held in Hattiesburg several years ago.

Miss Martha Hairston directs the WMU Training School in Recife, Brazil. You'll recall that each year, through funds given through WMU Special Day, Mississippi women and girls provide scholarship for Brazilian young women in this institution which Miss Hairston directs, as well as the school in Rio.

Plan now to attend all the sessions of the WMU Convention this year. Next week a list of nearby hotels and motels, and their addresses, will be given in this column.

Two Teen-Agers Always At Sunday School

14-YEAR PIN

Faye Taylor, member of New Hope Church, Lauderdale County, and senior at Clarksdale High School, recently received a 14-year Sunday school pin for perfect attendance. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Taylor of Route 3, Meridian.

Her pastor, Rev. John Hopper, awarded the pin on his last Sunday at New Hope, before assuming a new pastorate at York, Alabama.

SEVEN-YEAR PIN

Susan Aycock (pictured), 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Aycock, of Rosedale, was recently awarded a pin for seven years of perfect attendance at Sunday school.

Susan is an active member of First Church, Rosedale, Rev. James L. Baker, pastor.

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Off The Record

A party of clergymen were attending a Presbyterian conference in Scotland. Several of them set off to explore the district. Presently they came to a river spanned by a temporary bridge. Not seeing the notice that said it was unsafe, they began to cross it. The bridge keeper ran after them in protest.

"It is all right," declared the spokesman, not understanding the reason for the old man's haste, "we're Presbyterians from the conference." "I'm no' caring about that," was the reply, "but if ye dinna get off the bridge you'll all be Baptists!"

WHEN IGNORANCE SHOWS!

It was Sunday morning in a men's class in a certain Church school.

"Will you please tell me," said a member to the teacher, "how far in actual miles Dan is from Beersheba?"

Before the answer could be given, another member arose in the back of the room and inquired:

"Do I understand that Dan and Beersheba are the names of places?"

"Yes."

"That's one on me. I always thought they were husband and wife, like Sodom and Gomorrah."

—The Easthaven Evangelist, Kalispell, Montana

At a Milwaukee hospital a nurse asked a new three-year-old patient, "Have you ever had measles or chicken pox?"

"No," said the youngster helpfully, "but I've had Rice Krispies."

Marker Named Manuscript Editor

NASHVILLE — Forrest M. Marker Jr. of Nashville on Nov. 15 assumed the position of manuscript editor in the Sunday School department of the Sunday School Board. He will work on adult periodicals in the new Life and Work Curriculum.

Alabama Board Elects Officers

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (BP) —The Alabama State Baptist Executive Board elected new officers, named a new employee, and allocated funds dealing with the Baptist state mission program in Alabama during its winter session here.

New chairman of the board is W. J. Johnson, pastor of Southside Baptist Church in Decatur, Ala.

Elected as head of the ministers retirement department for Alabama Baptists was Earl E. Trent, now secretary of missions for the Colbert-Lauderdale Baptist Association with offices in Florence.

"Gossips and blotters absorb a lot of dirt, but they usually get it backwards."

Downtown Churches

(Continued from page 1) rent facilities are filling the gap, moving into dilapidated downtown housing; racial groups are meshing and tension grows, producing delinquency, crime, and personality maladjustment.

Compounding the problem, high-rise apartment units are attracting middle and upper-class families, leaving the church hard pressed to minister to both groups.

As a result of this hard period of transition, churches in these inner-city areas are faced with an ultimatum; adjust to reality and meet the unusual but startling needs, or fade into nonexistence.

These problems, and many more, were pinpointed recently in the first phase of a Home Mission Board-sponsored research project covering 20 metropolitan areas in the U. S. As reported in the January issue of Home Missions Magazine, project director G. Willis Bennett of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville outlined four major implications in the study for Southern Baptists:

1. What happens to Negroes and Spanish-speaking in the downtown areas? "Many of these people remain unsought and unchurched," Bennett reports. "Even though they, especially Negroes, are reached for weekday ministries, not many are retained for Sunday activities and still fewer find their way into church membership."

"It seems important, however, that educational and religious activities be provided to those who will engage in them. Many Negro churches cannot furnish this service."

2. What happens to Southern Baptist churches in areas of transition and racial integration? "Some move out, others decline, and only a few try seriously to adapt to change and enlarge their ministry," Bennett concludes. "One of our gravest problems

is our inability to recognize early the beginnings of social change and take advantage of the change rather than be defeated by it."

3. What are our churches doing? Some have integrated. Bennett points out; some have established departments to minister to Spanish-speaking or Negro groups. But the most successful, according to Bennett have established a Baptist center and a weekday ministry operation.

4. How can Southern Baptists develop a team approach to meet the needs of people in these areas of transition? Bennett outlines three ideas to point the way: (1) "We must awaken a concern. Differences have tended to be resolved whenever Southern Baptists and other Baptists become acquainted." (2) "We must become informed. Who are the people... what are their needs... how can we present the gospel in a meaningful way to them? (3) We must become involved."

"Spanish-speaking people have particular needs in the realm of social adjustment that are not unrelated to their religious needs," Bennett said. "Negro people are seeking to move into the full stream of American culture, and this is not unrelated to their need of responding to the gospel and the claims of Christ."

"Evangelism awaits," Bennett concluded. "But it cannot be grounded exclusively in traditional molds. Points of contact which show understanding and love must be found."

Furman U. Gets Grant From Duke

GREENVILLE, S. C. (BP) —Furman University here has received a grant of \$275,000 for specific educational purposes from the Duke Endow-



THE SINGING CHURCHMEN, composed mostly of ministers of music of churches in the state, under direction of Dan C. Hall, state music director, will be featured on the program of the State Evangelistic Conference to be held at Gulfshore Assembly Feb. 7-9.

Seminary Named To Accrediting Group

RICHMOND, Va. (BP) — New Orleans Baptist Seminary has been approved as an accredited member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools at the organization's annual meeting of delegates here.

For several years New Orleans Seminary and each of the five other Southern Baptist seminaries have been accredited members of the American Association of Theological Schools, the professional academic organization for graduate level divinity and theological schools.

New Orleans becomes the first SBC-affiliated seminary to gain accredited membership into the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The funds were appropriated to the Baptist school for augmenting faculty compensation, faculty recognition and encouragement; strengthening the library; special academic and cultural projects, student scholarships, special instructional equipment, equipment for the new science building, and campus physical improvements.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT—

1966 Vacation Bible School Clinic

January 31 – February 2, 1966 Camp Garaywa, Clinton

Program begins at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, January 31. The first meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. The Clinic will adjourn at 10:45 a.m. on Wednesday, February 2. No noon meal.

This Clinic is for Associational workers ONLY. The purpose is to train the Associational workers so that they can return and provide the Clinics for the churches. The only cost is \$2.50 per person which we suggest the Association pay, however if they do not then we expect the worker to pay this amount. The State Sunday School Department will provide mileage at the rate of one cent per mile (round trip) for each worker in the car. We also provide room and meals while at Camp Garaywa.

We would like for each team to be a full team of SIX workers. This is to YOUR advantage so enlist your workers NOW if you have not already done so. We invite the Associational Missionaries to come as a seventh member of the team, or as one of the six. We only pay the expenses of SIX workers unless the seventh is the missionary.

We expect the Association to:

1. Enlist a team of workers who work with that age group in their own church.
2. Provide the workers with the textbooks which they will bring with them.
3. Provide an association clinic (or clinics) with a minimum of two to four hours.
4. Provide \$2.50 for each worker. This is a registration fee, payable at Garaywa.
5. Provide meals enroute.

FACULTY PERSONNEL FOR 1966 CLINIC



Associations need to select their VBS teams and forward names, team responsibility, and mailing addresses to: Bryant Cumming, Box 530, Jackson, for housing assignments at Camp Garaywa.

MC President's Mother Dies

Mrs. Tabitha McLemore, 91, mother of Dr. R. A. McLemore, president of Mississippi College, died Thursday, Jan. 13, at her home in Petal. She was the widow of H. K. McLemore.

Mrs. McLemore was the first home demonstration agent in southeast Mississippi and was a former public school teacher. She was a member of the Petal Harvey Baptist Church where she organized the first Sunbeam.

A native of Clarke County, she taught school for 37 years, and after moving to Forrest county, and was in 1923 a near successful candidate for superintendent of education.

Survivors in addition to Dr. McLemore are another son, H. G. McLemore, a Gulfport engineer, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Jan. 15 at the Petal Harvey church with Rev. O. E. Thompson, pastor, officiating.

required \$16,000 is expected from other contributions and sales. The hymnal, to be called *Spiritual Hymns*, is scheduled for completion in 1966, with 15,000 copies being printed.

Music

(Continued from page 1) Street Baptist Church, Laurel.

A theme song entitled, "Set My Soul Afire," will be sung throughout the conference. The song will be available to persons attending the conference.

Yugoslavs Print New Hymnal

A fourth of the cost of printing and binding a Yugoslav Baptist hymnal (\$4,000) has been appropriated by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. The rest of the

Music

1966 STATE CHORAL FESTIVALS MISSISSIPPI

Youth Choral Festival—April 2, 1966 From Youth Sings—SATB, Broadman Press "Christ Is Risen, Alleluia"—page 23 "Behold The Lamb of God"—page 10 "I'm On My Journey Home"—page 58 "Once to Every Man and Nation"—page 16 "Little Baby Jesus"—page 26 Other Anthems

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (tune: "Miles Lane") arranged by Arthur E. Ward, for mixed chorus, piano, three trumpets and two kettledrums, Harold Flammer, Number 34302

"Praise God, Ye Sons of Earth" by Philip M. Young, SATB with special arrangement for three trumpets and three trombones, Broadman Press, Number 451-610

Junior Choral Festival—May 7, 1966 "My Prayer" arranged by William Stickles, Willis Music Company, Number 7195 (Also *The Junior Musician*, October, November, December, 1965)

"Let us, with a Gladsome Mind" by Richard Warner, C. C. Birchard Company, Number B-2063

"My Faith Should be a Happy Thing" arranged by Bob Burroughs, Broadman Press, Number JF 022 (Also *The Junior Musician*, April, May, June, 1965)

"Awake, Awake to Love and Work" arranged by Carlton Young, Broadman Press, Number JF 019 (Also *The Junior Musician*, January, February, March, 1965)

"Lord and Savior, True and Kind" arranged by Austin Lovelace, Harold Flammer, Number 86162 (Also *The Junior Musician*, January, February, March, 1965)

"Let All the World in Every Corner Sing" arranged by William Reynolds, Broadman Press, Number MF 418 (Also *The Junior Musician*, January, February, March, 1966)

Kentucky Church Holds Daily Prayer For Peace

HAZARD, Ky. (BP)—The First Baptist Church here is conducting a daily fifteen-minute "prayer for peace" period during the noon-hour to allow members and businessmen to pray for an end to the war on Vietnam.

The prayer period calls "for divine intervention and a peaceful solution of the war in Vietnam," said the pastor of the Hazard church, Thomas H. Harding.

Harding said he hoped other Baptist churches throughout the nation would hold similar noon-time prayer services for peace.

In a letter to the pastor, the president of the Southern Baptist Convention, Wayne Dehoney of Jackson, Tenn., commended the church for its prayer for peace program.

State Man To Play Trumpet In Ghana Crusade

Among the personnel taking part in the Ghana "New Life For You" campaign in February will be W. David Larrimore, a native Mississippian from Lucedale.

Mr. Larrimore, a graduate of William Carey College and New Orleans Seminary, is serving at present as Minister of Music at First Church, Cullman, Alabama.

The African Campaign is sponsored by the Foreign Mission Board. It will be a month-long effort, concentrating in the principal Ghanaian cities of Accra, Kumasi, and Tamale.

In addition to directing music, Mr. Larrimore will be playing the trumpet.

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The Sunday School Lesson— God Is Father

By Clifton J. Allen
Hosea 11:1-4; Matthew 6:9;
11:25-30; John 14:1-11;
2 Corinthians 1:3-4;
Ephesians 3:14-19

As a person, God reveals himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In this lesson we are to study the doctrine of the fatherhood of God. This aspect of the personality of God was understood only to a limited degree in Old Testament times.

Some of the prophets, notably Hosea, caught foregleams of understanding, seeing God as the Father of Israel, long-suffering, forgiving, and protecting.

But the full truth came to light in Jesus Christ. He called God, Father; he taught his followers to think of God as the Heavenly Father. From the writings of Paul we learn further about the fatherhood of God.

The Lesson Explained Father to Israel Hos. 11:1-4

In these verses the prophet describes God as the loving Father of disobedient children however unlovely they may be, however disobedient they may become. God was Father to Israel in the sense that he chose the nation to be his child, and he dealt with the nation always with forbearance and an unflinching love. All the while, the children of Israel manifested wicked rebellion against God's loving purpose and righteous commandments. The people of Israel persisted in backsliding and idolatry, gave themselves to the worship of Baal, and refused to learn lessons from God's judgments.

God's tenderness is described like that of a father teaching children how to walk and taking them in his arms. In verse 4, the figure changes again. Like a teamster dealing with his animals, God dealt with his people, not driving them with reins of power but drawing them with cords of compassion and bands of love. But Israel, like a stubborn son, rejected God's fatherly love and discipline and refused the role of a son—and thus refused the heritage God intended for his chosen people.

Revelation in Jesus Christ John 14:6-11

In the upper room, the night before the crucifixion, Jesus sought to instruct and comfort his disciples and prepared them for the crisis of his death. Jesus called God, Father.

If the disciples had really understood Jesus, they would have had the fullest understanding and clearest concept of the nature and disposition

of God.

The works of Jesus declared that he came from God and that God's nature is best understood as loving Father—who loved us and gave himself for us.

God of Mercy and Comfort 2 Cor. 1:3-4

The Son delights to please the Father; the Father delights to honor the Son.

All of God's actions are governed by love. He is, indeed, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort; he is the source of mercy. He deals with wayward and sinful man with mercy, not as man deserves, but according to grace. His care of man finds expression in countless mercies and blessings.

The word comfort means encouragement to endure and overcome sorrow, affliction, and persecution through faith in God and the strength which he provides.

Truths to Live By

We understand God best as "our Father." It is significant that Jesus taught us thus to address God when we pray. All who will believe in God through Jesus Christ are adopted into his heavenly family as true children by faith. As Father, he loves with an everlasting love. He delights to forgive the sins of men, if there is contrition and repentance.

God deals with us as children. — He lovingly watches over us. No man is able to take us out of the Father's hand. Since God the Father is on our side, it matters not who is against us. But let us remember also that God must discipline us. Else we could not claim to be his children.

He gives us freedom and expects us to be responsible.

Christians are to fill the role of true children. — How can we doubt the Father? We should not worry about daily necessities, but put first the kingdom of God. We should not love the world. If we do, we prove that the love of the Father is not in us. As children, we should obey the Father's commandments, thus proving the genuineness of our love for him.

NEW HOPE CALLS PASTOR

Rev. Johnnie E. Bridges, Prentiss, has accepted the pastorate of the New Hope Church, Simpson County, and has already moved on the field.

A native of Jeff Davis County, he received his early education there and later graduated from William Carey College. His wife is the former Frances Berry of Prentiss.



PICTURED left to right are the members of the Airport, Grenada Planning and Survey Committee: James Hicks; J. E. Canterbury, chairman of deacons; Frank Beck, Jim B. Martin; and Rev. Jobe R. Miller, pastor.

Airport Builds On New Site

Airport Church, Grenada, conducted groundbreaking services, Dec. 19, at its new building site three miles north of Grenada on Old Highway 7 North, near Grenada Lake. The church plans to begin foundation work immediately and to continue with work above floor level in early spring, states Rev. Jobe Miller, pastor.

The 20-month-old church, presently meeting in a leased building on the Grenada Air-

port property, began as a mission of Emmanuel Church, Grenada, and was organized in May, 1964. Previously, First Church, Grenada, had conducted a Home Fellowship Mission in the community.

The first unit to be constructed will provide 4484 square feet of floor space, with concrete block and brick veneer construction, to be centrally heated and air-conditioned.

MC Professors To Lead Tours Of Europe

Two members of the Mississippi College foreign languages department will conduct separate European tours during the summer of 1966.

Dr. Gertrude Lippert, professor of German, and Tom Boswell, assistant professor of Latin, will both be taking collegiate groups on excursions of European countries.

Dr. Lippert's tour, entitled the "Educator's Tour of Europe," will include 35 days abroad, with departure set for June 15 and return on July 19. Arranged through the International Travel Club, Inc., the itinerary has been especially planned to meet the educational requirements for teacher certificate renewal and college credit programs.

The group will leave from New York's Kennedy Airport via non-stop jet to London and return from Paris by Air France non-stop jet. In between visits will be made to Stratford, Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Berlin, Cologne, Heidelberg, Munich, Salzburg, Bolzano, Venice, Florence, Rome, Viareggio, Milan, Zermatt, and Geneva.

Boswell's tour, labeled the "1966 College Tour of Europe," is being arranged by the Bonner Travel Service. Persons taking the tour will have a choice of making the trip abroad by either steamship or air travel.

Those leaving by boat will depart New York on June 11 via the Castel Felice and arrive back in New York on August 11. Air passengers will leave New York via TWA jet on June 20 and return on August 2.

Countries to be visited include England, Holland, Germany, Switzerland, Lichtenstein, Austria, Italy, San Marino, Monaco, France, with an option for a Spanish extension which will take in Spain and Portugal.

The Spanish extension will be available to both steamship and air passengers and will include three days in Madrid and three days in Lisbon. The additional cost will be only \$80.

The trip led by Dr. Lippert will cost \$1,407, with the price including round trip trans-Atlantic tourist class air from New York, private deluxe motorcoach, first class rail, and tourist class air within Europe.

The college tour led by Boswell will cost \$1,151 for those going by steamship and \$1,210.30 for those travelling by air.

Both tours offer three hours of college credit from Mississippi College to the student who complies with the college's requirements. Persons desiring additional information should write Dr. Gertrude Lippert, P. O. Box 136, Clinton, Miss., or Mr. Tom Boswell, 1108 Post Road, Clinton, Miss.



MISS NAI NAI EVERETT, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Everett, of Newton, led a group of students from Clarke College, in honors received at the Eighteenth Annual Youth Congress, which met recently in Jackson. She won a total of five superiors, the maximum number possible under the Congress regulations. Miss Everett received superior rating for her acceptance speech for the nomination as president pro tempore of the Senate. Other superiors were won in speaking from the floor, debating from the floor, correcting of parliamentary procedure, and for offering an outstanding bill.

Is Licensed

Calvary Church, Tupelo, recently licensed John Fisk

(pictured) to the gospel ministry. Mr. Fisk attended Miss. State Univ. and Millsaps College. He plans to enroll at Blue Mountain College, and following college to do graduate work at a seminary.



Flowood To Ordain Preacher

Rev. Allen Hubbard Stephens will be ordained on January 23, at 2 p. m., by the Flowood Church, Rev. A. G. Gray, pastor.

Mr. Stephens, a senior at Mississippi College, surrendered to preach in 1962 and was licensed in June, 1963. He plans to enroll at New Orleans Seminary after finishing college.

Mr. Stephens is interim pastor of the Bethel Church near Hazelhurst.

Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance Additions To The Church Training Union Attendance

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Aberdeen	399	150	1
Amory	462	108	
Baldwyn, First	319	87	
Belzoni, First	317	85	
Biloxi, Emmanuel	303	135	
Brandon, First	408	179	
Brookhaven, First	760	229	9
Bruce, First	392	157	1
Canton, Center Terrace	332	132	1
Cleveland			
Morrison Chapel	124	85	
Clinton, Morrison Hgts	444	193	3
Columbia, First	672	240	2
Columbus, Fairview	402	181	2
Concord (Noxubee)	51	25	
Crystal Springs, First	545	186	2
Forest	429	126	
Grenada, First	607	195	
Gulfport, First	863	248	5
Gulfport, Pass Road	174	122	6
Handisboro (Gulf Coast)	382	107	2
Hattiesburg			
Central	246	156	6
First	682	228	2
Main Street	885	344	2
North Main Man	18	13	
38th Avenue	230	154	
University	173	88	
Houston			
First	342	135	1
Parkway Chapel	110	70	
Hurricane Creek	136	85	
(Marion)	304	133	
Iuka			
Jackson			
Broadmoor	1604	588	1
Woodville Heights	313	88	4
Midway	472	183	2
First	1451	300	1
West Jackson	456	203	
Raymond, Chapel	38	23	
Robinson Street	311	156	4
Alta Woods	1109	388	
Highland	213	140	1
Parkhill	319	152	3
Crestwood	594	263	
Van Winkle	617	240	6
Hillcrest	627	191	2
Daniel	329	93	
Colonial Heights	627	191	2
McDowell Road	1083	402	2
Parkway	577	199	
Oak Forest	1480	574	4
Calvary	359	168	
McLaurin Heights	965	294	
Lakeview	761	190	1
Ridgewood	349	164	9
Woodland Hills	535	179	2
Southside	535	179	2
Kosciusko, Ist	213	83	
Main	484	213	
Maple St. Chapel	205	113	
Kosciusko, Parkway	414	166	
Laurel	152	115	
First	453	154	
Glade	391	171	
Highland	315	121	
Magnolia St.	248	88	
Plainway	558	132	11
Second Avenue	535	106	
Mission	23	24	
West Laurel	235	72	
Wildwood	203	77	
Lexington, Ist	176	91	
Long Beach, Ist	228	122	
Main	215	53	
Mission	139	79	
Lyon	500	190	
Macon, Ist	435	156	
McComb, Locust St.	30	34	
McComb, Navilla	463	144	
McComb, South	136	106	
Meridian	27	25	
Collinsville	584	248	
Calvary	562	212	
Main	403	160	2
Fewell Survey Man	423	100	1
Pine Springs Man	92	35	
State Boulevard	670	217	
Russell	707	288	1
Fulton Avenue Man	389	158	3
Poplar Springs Drive	183	63	2
Fifteenth Avenue	325	101	
Oakland Heights	435	185	
Morton, Ist	252	93	1
Mountain Creek	353	141	
(Rankin)	812	312	
New Albany, First	146	71	
Pascagoula, First	48	30	
Mountain Bluff	152	66	
Pearl (Rankin)	71	43	1
Pearson (Rankin)	152	66	
Petal Harvey	1044	407	2
Pontotoc	150	86	3
First	651	260	3
West Heights	605	147	2
Quitman	407	152	6
Ripley	703	223	2
Kosedeale, First	164	51	
Ruth	586	237	6
Sandersville	127	59	
Sardis (Copiah)	132	79	
Sharon, First	143	79	
Star (Rankin)	195	60	
Strickland	244	107	
Trinity (Jones)	250	251	1
Tupelo, Calvary	431	163	
East Hills	322	100	3
Vicksburg	198	87	
Bowmar Ave.	546	189	6
First			
Immanuel			
West Point, First			
Amory			
Belmont, Ist			
Cleveland, Chapel			
Greenfield			
Greenwood, North			
Grenada, Emmanuel			
Iuka			
Laurel, West			
Laurel, Plainway			
Lyon			
Roundaway Mission			
Poplar Flat (Winston)			
Ludlow			
Macon, Ist			
Morton, Ist			
New Albany, Ist			
Pontotoc, First Hgts			
Pontotoc, Ist			
Ripley, Ist			
Sandersville			
Tupelo, Ist			

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OPEN HOUSE was held December 19 at the new pastor's home of Duncan Church. The \$26,000 total electric home (top photo) was completed last summer and occupied July 27 by Pastor Odie W. Henderson and his family. The Building Committee (bottom photo, l to r) included: J. R. Kelly, chairman, J. E. DeFord, Mrs. T. N. Boschert, Rev. Odie Henderson, and M. D. Dunn. Mrs. J. R. Kelley and Mrs. J. E. DeFord served on a special decorating committee.

McCULLOUGH SAYS EMPHASIS NEEDED ON VOCATION CHOICE

NEW ORLEANS (BP)—"The decreasing number of young people going into church-related vocations reflects a need for greater emphasis on God's will in choosing a vocation," a missions leader told the first Southern Baptist Evangelists' Conference at New Orleans Baptist Seminary here.

Glendon McCullough, personnel director of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board in Atlanta, issued an appeal for the evangelists to "call out the call" during the meeting.



SHELBY, FIRST CHURCH announces revival plans for January 24-30 with the Stalenecker-Tyson Music Team from Ripley, Tennessee. The team of musicians will be in Shelby for one of their first appearances following a two week European tour. These musicians appeared at the Mississippi Baptist Convention in November. Mrs. Stalenecker was soloist for the 1961, and 1965 sessions of the Southern Baptist Convention and will also sing at the 1966 session to be held in Detroit, Michigan. Lay evangelist Ed Stalenecker will speak at the morning services at 10:00 and also on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday evenings. The pastor, Rev. Warner Blackburn, will speak on Wednesday and Friday evenings and on Sunday morning. Saturday evening will be a concert. All public is cordially invited to attend.

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CLARKE COLLEGE MUSIC MEN—L. to R.—Joe Kitchens, Robert M. Sanders, Paul D. Jones, Robert A. Heritage, Ronnie B. Taylor, Philip B. Chisolm, Curtis Ousley, Reggie Moss, James C. Hess, and Wayne Miller. J. B. McElroy, of the Music Department of Clarke College, states that several of the above students, who are in training as ministers of music, are now serving churches on part-time basis. Of the group pictured, the young men and their churches are as follows: Chisolm, (North Crest, Lauderdale County); Hess, (Sebastopol, Scott); Heritage, (Poplar Flat, Winston); Jones, (Washington, Natchez); Moss, (Bethlehem, Jones); Ousley, (Midway, Lauderdale); Sanders, (Midway, Newton); Taylor, (Beacon Street, Philadelphia).

TOM SAWYER IN PERU

By Charles W. Helm
Missionary Journeyman

I have been in Trujillo, Peru, nearly two months. That doesn't make me an old-timer, but I have noticed that lots of the boys here seem something like Tom Sawyer. City Tom Sawyers, but with the same mischievousness, the same ear-to-ear smiles and exuberance, the same barefoot carefreeness. Not much riches, but still having a whale of a time. Yet boys who have never read a Bible or been to Sunday school. Boys who have never known that Jesus can be their personal Lord and Savior.

In Trujillo lots of chicos (boys) run around the street with shoeshine kits, trying to earn a little money. Kids with dusty, grimy shirts and pants, patched up in a place or two with cloth of a different color. No shoes, but lots of sunshine and dirt to keep the toes company. Progress pays a price when it puts on shoes and gets out of touch with the soil.

But without progress, other prices are paid.

There is much to be done in this city of 100,000. My assignment as a Southern Baptist missionary journeyman is to teach the children of the missionaries. I guess you could say I am not a real missionary, but I do free the missionaries of the task of teaching their children four to five hours a day. And next year I will also teach English to the pastors who are being trained by the missionaries.

The Missionary Journeyman Program has become the answer to a question that plagued me: "What can I do now to use my life best for God? It has become the answer for me and 45 other young people who are now serving as teachers, helping in hospitals, working with students, or serving in other ways.

I consider the Journeyman Program one of the great opportunities of my life. I probably will not set the world on fire, but perhaps I can help one little boy know the love of Christ.

DEVOTIONAL— Let Self-Interest Die

By Norman Rodgers
Associate
Training Union Department

"And Jesus answered them saying, The hour is come, that the Son of man should be glorified. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit. He that loveth his life shall lose it."—John 12:23-25a

Although Jesus was speaking primarily of his own death, in these verses he stated one of the profound principles of Christian discipleship. Unless a person is willing to replace self interest with Christ as the center of his existence, his life will remain dormant and unproductive in the values of real importance.

Several hundred students in a large university sat in quiet anticipation as one of the school's football celebrities rose to speak. He began by saying that he wanted to share with them how his life had been changed because of an encounter with God.

Although he had been a Christian from childhood, he had not been serious about his relationship to Christ. A few weeks prior to the time that he spoke to this group a spirit of revival had crept through the campus and he had been caught up in it. As the Holy Spirit spoke to his heart he responded and publicly re-committed his life to the leadership of God.

"I am ashamed," he continued to his college audience, "that I have failed to be the kind of Christian that I ought to be. When I go back home from school, the younger boys gathered around me and want to talk about football. Sometimes they ask if I know this or that well known player. They are amazed when I tell them that I am a friend of the player they mention. But the thing which filled my heart with guilt was that I could not say to these younger boys that I had talked to my friends at school about Christ. From now on I want everybody to know what Christ can do for them."

The desire to be accepted and popular with fellow college students had obscured the more important imperative of Christian dedication and witness. Where the motivation of life is the attainment of self-centered goals the inevitable result will be an existence drained of all significant fulfillment.

This young athlete had learned that leading others to a vital relationship with Christ far outweighed his need to be liked. Through bitter experience he found that leading friends to know Christ was far more significant than the fear of being ridiculed and rejected by his peers.

As he began to let his self-interests die from atrophy, he began to bear Christian fruit.

To many Christians, dying to self suggests a near monastic withdrawal from almost anything which may be enjoyable. The person whose main emphasis in life is compiling an impressive list of things that he has "given up" may in fact be quite disillusioned about his motivation. His goals may be just as self-centered as the person who is afraid to let his Christian commitment be known, for he may be striving to gain acceptance and status within his circle of Christian friends by trying to show that he is a little better than any of them.

Lest misunderstanding result, it must be emphasized that there are many social practices in which Christians must not engage. The reason for this lies in the fact that they are inconsistent with the spirit of Christian principles and not in the desire to glorify self.

Jesus was saying that only when we overcome our consuming preoccupation with ourselves and lose ourselves in dedication to Christ and in genuine interest and concern for others, can we bear much fruit.

The scripture repeats in several ways this magnificent paradox that one must lose his life before he can find it.



Harry Horton

Joins Staff At East Heights

East Heights Church, Tupelo, has added to their staff, as Minister of Music and Education, Harry H. Horton.

He graduated from Centenary College, Shreveport, and New Orleans Seminary.

Mr. Horton has served as Minister of Music and Education at Calvary Church, Greenwood, and First Church, Lucedale. He is a member of the State Music Council. While in George County, he served as associational music director.

Mrs. Horton, the former Eunice Tyre of Jasper, Florida, is a registered nurse. They have one daughter, six-year old Angela.

Rev. Harold Wilder is East Heights pastor.

French Pastors School Operates Full Program

The French Baptist pastors' school, which opened in Massy, near Paris, in October, 1964, is operating its full two-year program during the 1965-66 session. The first trimester ended December 17.

Five students are enrolled for the first year of study, which includes a full course of lectures and other work in residence. Five more students are in the second-year program, serving pastorates and coming to Massy for two days of lectures and guidance twice a month.

Mrs. Mettie Bishop Dies At Age 73

Funeral services were held December 22 at Strong River Church, Simpson County, for Mrs. Mettie Bush Bishop, age 73, who died unexpectedly December 20, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Louis Boggan of Mobile. She was the widow of F. H. Bishop, who preceded her in death eight years ago.

Rev. James Berch and Rev. Harold Douglas officiated. Burial was in Strong River Cemetery.

Survivors include one daughter, Christine Boggan, and two grandchildren, Sybil and John Boggan of Mobile; one sister, Mrs. Bessie Wells of Jackson; and one brother, Charlie Bush, of Pinola.

Southwest College Begins New Dorm

BOLIVAR, Mo. (BP) — Southwest Baptist College here has started construction on a new \$500,000 men's dormitory.

The new 200-capacity dormitory is scheduled for completion in mid-August.

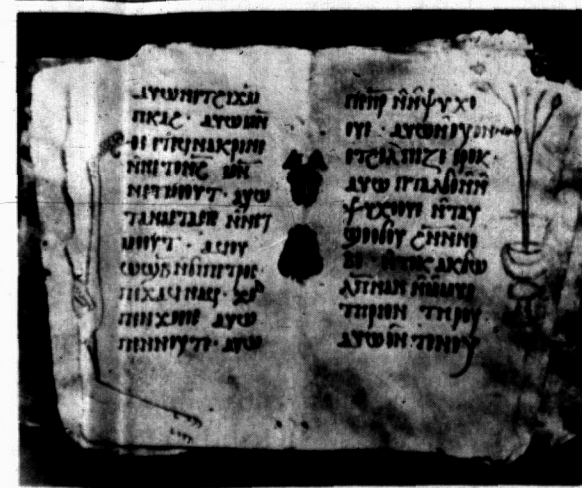


Mrs. Hattie Leatherwood

Fourteen Years

Mrs. Hattie Leatherwood has earned a fourteen-year perfect attendance pin in Sunday school at Calvary Church, Corinth. On receiving the pin from Sunday school superintendent Joe E. Wilhite, she said "I give all the credit to my Lord who has made my attendance possible. I did not come to receive this pin, but to receive the blessings from being in God's house on God's day."

Rev. Leroy Tubbs is pastor.



ANCIENT COPTIC PRAYER BOOK FOUND — CHICAGO — Members of a University of Chicago expedition working in the area soon to be inundated by rising waters of the United Arab Republic's Aswan Dam believe one of their most important discoveries was this ancient Coptic prayer book. In almost perfect condition, the 17-page illuminated manuscript was found in a cell of a monastery believed to have been built originally in the Eighth or Ninth Century and rebuilt 200 years later. The book relates a conversation between Christ and the Apostles on the Mount of Olives between the Resurrection and Ascension and contains a Hymn to the Cross which Christ may have recited shortly before the Crucifixion. (RNS Photo)

World Jewish Population Estimated At 13,887,000

NEW YORK (RNS) — Figures compiled here by the World Jewish Congress show there now are 13,887,000 Jews, with nearly 6 million living in North America.

Other areas of largest Jewish population, according to the Congress' Institute of Jewish Affairs, are the Soviet Union, with 3 million, and Israel, 2,273,000.

Among other individual countries, the survey showed there are 5,612,000 Jews in the U. S.; Argentina, 550,000; France, 500,000; Britain,

450,000; Canada, 262,000; Brazil, 150,000; South Africa, 116,000; Rumania, 100,000; Iran, 80,000; Morocco, 75,000; and Australia, 70,000.

It was also pointed out that in Poland, once the stronghold of European Jewry, the population is down to 25,000—less than one per cent of its pre-World War II figure. Germany, where the Jewish community was put at 600,000 before World War II, has 32,400, of whom 31,000 are in West Germany.

CLERGYMEN SCORE JOHNSON ON VIET PRAYER DECREE

SAN FRANCISCO (EP) — President Johnson was criticized by 22 Presbyterian ministers here for calling for a national day of prayer "exclusively in a support of anti-Communist forces" in Viet Nam.

"Our God is not a national resource for any nation," the San Francisco ministers said in a statement. "He is Lord of all nations."

"Moreover, we, Christian churches and individuals, are instructed by Jesus Christ, to whom we owe first allegiance, to pray for our enemies."

"It is therefore incumbent upon us not only to seek divine guidance for our nation's cause but also to ask forgiveness for national imperfection and sin."

The ministers made it clear their criticism was not directed against U.S. policy in Viet Nam.



DR. AND MRS. FRANK W. PATTERSON, missionaries who in December completed 25 years of service at the Baptist Spanish Publishing House, El Paso, Tex., displays the silver tray given them by their fellow workers.



INTERPRETER FOR THE DEAF — WASHINGTON, D. C. — Miss Polly Shahan (center), who has interpreted for members of the Baptist Church of the Deaf in Washington, D. C., for the last 15 years, converses with Dr. Clarence Cranford, pastor, and Miss Esther Culverwell, one of the church's 100 members. The Church of the Deaf, founded 49 years ago, is a part of Calvary Baptist church in the nation's capital. (RNS photo)

Muslems And Jews In Nazareth Mark Birth Of Jesus

NAZARETH, Israel (BP) — "In a rare coincidence of dates, the month-long Muslim fast of Ramadan began the week of Christmas," Dwight L. Baker reports from Israel to the European Baptist Press Service.

Registration Date Named At MC

Registration for the second semester at Mississippi College will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 2, Registrar Troy Mohon has announced.

In releasing the registration schedule, Mohon pointed out that new students who are planning on entering Mississippi College the second semester must be officially admitted by the Office of the Registrar several days before the day of registration. The deadline for second semester admission is Wednesday, January 26.

Mohon stated that a schedule of courses to be offered the second semester, along with the period to be offered and prerequisites, is now available in his office in Nelson Hall.

"Local Muslim leaders were pleased that their holy days came during the Christian festival, giving opportunity to stress Israeli Muslims' desire for peace."

"Not to be left out in the converging calendar coincidences, Jews ended the Feast of the Lights, or Hanukka, with the lighting of the eighth Hanukka candle on Christmas Eve."

"It will be many years before the Holy Land's three great monotheistic religions, Islam, Judaism and Christianity, again celebrate major holy seasons in the same period."

Baker, a Southern Baptist missionary, states that a new mosque in Nazareth was dedicated in the week before Christmas, on the eve of the fast of Ramadan. It is named Peace Mosque.

The newly elected Muslim

mayor of Nazareth, Abdul Zouabi, spoke at a Christmas reception for hundreds of pilgrims in Nazareth, Israel.

"From this city of peace," said the mayor, "we declare our loyalty to the lofty goals and teachings concerning peace and love which the Lord Christ handed down and have come to us over the centuries."

He called for peace in the world and, in particular, between Israel and her Arab neighbors, urging Israeli Arabs to build a bridge for peace between their country and the Arab states.

The reception was attended by heads of Greek and Roman Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant churches in Israel. There were distinguished guests from abroad, including Episcopal Church Bishop James A. Pike of California.

The American Bible Society has asked churches of the nation to support a campaign to place Protestant, Roman Catholic, and Jewish versions of the Bible in public libraries and public school libraries from coast to coast.

Churches In The News

Bethsaida Church, Montgomery Association, recently ordained Ernest Crowder and Cloyce Gibson as deacons. Rev. Taylor Radford preached the ordination sermon. The ordination prayer was led by Rev. E. P. Burke. The certificates of ordination were delivered by Rev. C. F. Anglin. Rev. W. E. Palmer is pastor of Bethsaida.

Pilgrim's Rest Church, near, Crystal Springs, broke all previous records Sunday, January 9, by having 137 present for Sunday school, according to the pastor, Rev. Finley Evans. The enrollment is 136. Billy Armstrong is Sunday school superintendent.

MC Gets \$5000 DuPont Grant

Mississippi College's proposed science building, now in the working drawings stage, will feature some equipment not originally planned thanks to a \$5,000 grant from the E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company.

Dr. R. A. McLemore, college president, and Dr. Archie H. Germany, chairman of the Division of Science and Mathematics, have jointly announced that the college has been included in the duPont Company's annual program of aid to education and has received a \$5000 grant.

Mississippi College was one of only 78 privately controlled institutions selected to receive the grants. DuPont stipulated that half of the grant be used for chemistry teaching with that portion intended to enable the chemistry department to satisfy important needs and engage in worthwhile activities which would not be possible with their regular resources.

The other half of the grant is for the teaching of other subjects which contribute importantly to the education of scientists and engineers.

Foundation At Southern Sets Endowment Goal

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (BP) — A program to secure \$5 million in endowment funds for Southern Seminary was announced by the directors of the seminary's foundation at their annual meeting here.

Projects to be underwritten by the fund include the Billy Graham Chair of Evangelism, other chairs of instruction, scholarships and student aid. "The plan of approach in securing this endowment fund," said the Foundation's Executive Director Paul G. Kirkland, "will be personal contact with key individuals throughout the nation who are concerned about theological education and have the means to underwrite its future."

Starting point in the long-range program will be the \$500,000 endowment campaign for the Billy Graham Chair.

Cooper Named To N. C. Position

RALEIGH, N. C. (BP) — Corbin L. Cooper, pastor of First Baptist Church in Morehead City, N. C., has been named new secretary of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina's department of interracial cooperation.

Cooper, 34, succeeds W. R. Grigg, who is now doing similar work with National (Negro) Baptists for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta.

Gardner Webb Tops Campaign Goal

BOILING SPRINGS, N. C. (BP) — Contributions to Gardner Webb College here exceeded the Baptist school's "Decade of Advance" fund campaign by more than a quarter of a million dollars.

Intensive community-by-community campaigns throughout surrounding counties netted a total of \$1½ million in cash, pledges, real property and securities. Goal for the campaign was \$1¼ million.